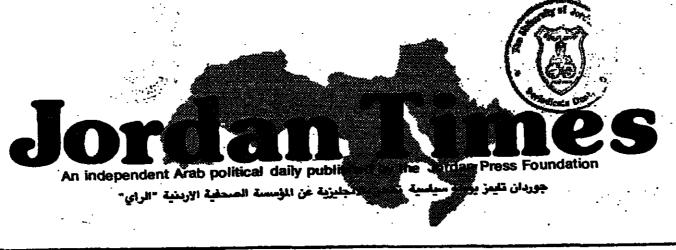
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### Nayef raps Iran

BAHRAIN, Dec. 20 (R) -Saudi Arabia today accused Iran of becoming the terrorist of the Gulf and offered other Arab states internal security aid. Interior Minister Prince Nayef Ibn Abdul Aziz also declared that the kingdom supported Iraq against Iran in the 15-month-old Gulf war, reflecting mounting antagonism between his country and the Islamic fundamentalist revolutionary administration in Tehran. The Iranians, who said after their (1979) revolution that they did not want to be the policeman of the Gulf, have become the terrorists of the Gulf," he told a press conference after signing a security cooperation accord with Bahrain. The signature came a week after Bahrain authorities said they had thwarted a coup attempt which they said was backed by Iran.

### Americans quiz general's wife

VERONA, Italy, Dec. 20 (R) -A team of American experts sent by President Reagan today quizzed the wife of U.S. Gen. James Dozier, a senior NATO officer kidnapped by Red Brigades guerrillas in Italy three days ago, police sources said. The six-man team from the defence department went through a lengthy questioning session with Judith Dozier, 47, who was left bound and gagged after the eight-strong com-mando burst into their Verona apartment and snatched her husband on Thursday. Following the Red Brigades first communique yesterday, which made no ransom demands and said Gen. Dozier was being held in a "people's prison", a senior member of the Verona anti-terrorist squad said that police still had no definite leads.

### 4 thieves arrested

AMMAN, Dec. 20 (Petra) -Amman police today announced the arrest of four thieves who committed several thefts in and around the capital. The four who admitted to stealing various articles, are still being interrogated before being referred to the judicial authorities, a Public Security Directorate source said.

### Polish envoy to U.S. granted asylum

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 (A.P.) - Poland's ambassador to the United States, Romuald Spasowski, has asked for and been granted political asylum in the United States because of the crisis in his homesland, U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig disclosed today. Mr. Haig said President Reagan directed that asylum be given the ambassador and his family. :**≨**≨

### Oaboos: Soviets are main threat

BEIRUT, Dec. 20 (R) — Sultan Qaboos Ibn Said of Oman was quoted today as saying that dealing with Soviet involvement in the Middle East should take priority over solving the Arab-Israeli conflict. The sultan, the only Gulf ruler to have granted military fac-lities to the United States, told the Beirut weekly magazine Monday Morning: "While the Palestinian question is very important to the Arabs, I think it will remain difficult to solve until all Soviet attempts to undermine a solution are out of the way."

### Bishara blames 7 Arab 'inertia'

BEIRUT, Dec. 20 (A.P.) -The secretary-general of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) was quoted today as blaming Arab "inertia" and the failure of last month's Arab summit for Israel's annexation of Syria's Golan Heights, according to the Lebanese English-language weekly magazine Monday Morning.

### Hassan opens bank branches

AMMAN, Dec. 20 (Petra) - His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan today opened three new branches of the Housing Bank in the Jordan Valley area.

The banks will serve 64 villages with inhabitants of 100,000 peo-

Prince Hassan praised the eff-orts of people working in the area and emphasised the need for continued efforts to raise the standards of this vital area in Jordan.

### Jordan to get 2 cargo ships

AMMAN, Dec. 20 (Petra) — Jordan will receive two cargo ships in February of 1982 which will be the first two Jordanian-owned vessels to fly the Jordanian flag, according to Mohammad Kalaideh, director of the National Shipping Company (NSC).

Mr. Kalaldeh said the first of these vessels, to be named Mu'ta, will arrive at Aqaba from Europe early in February and the other, to be named Badr, is expected to artive at the port on Feb. 18.

Each of the 13,500 tonne ships will have eleven cranes of 8.5tonne capacity, in addition to a heavy crane with a capacity of 60 tonnes, Mr. Kalaldeh said.

He said that he company will also place order for other such vessels to ship Jordanian potash, fertilizers and potash to other countries and bring, in exchange, wheat and other goods to Red Sea

On the company's activities during 1981, Mr. Kalaldeh said that the company has shipped 220,000 tonnes of goods from north European ports to Aqaba and expects this figure to jump to 300,000 tonnes in 1982.

### French denv reports about postponement of president's visit to Israel

PARIS, Dec. 20 (R) - The French government today called "premature" diplomatic reports that President Francois Mitterrand was postponing an official visit to Israel to protest against Israel's annexation of the Golan Heights.

The External Relations Ministry issued the carefully drafted statement six hours after diplomatic sources told Reuters that Mr. Mitterrand informed Arab League Secretary-General Chedli Klibi, during talks in Paris on Friday, that he would postpone the

The ministry refused to deny flatly that the three-day visit scheduled to start on Feb. 10 had been put off. It would be the first visit to Israel by a French president.

The statement said in full: "The president has said for a long time he would go to Israel. It is generally known that this visit will have a great importance in the search for peace in the Middle

"The eventual consequences of the development of the situation in the region on the visit of the president will be evaluated after the United Nations debate at the beginning of January. All other information on this subject would be premature."

### Arab League meeting put off

TUNIS, Dec. 20 (R) --- A special meeting of the Arab League initially scheduled to be held in Tunis tomorrow to discuss Israel's annexation of the Syrian Golan Heights will not take place before next week, league sources said today.

The ministerial meeting might also take place in Damascus at Syria's request. League sources said all 22 members had agreed to attend, except Egypt which was suspended because of its peace treaty with Israel.

However, the sources said the Arab states were not in a hurry to hold such a meeting which could only result in an unanimous but ineffective condemnation of last Monday's Israeli move at a time when the U.N. Security Council was dealing with it.

Syria today demanded that the forthcoming meeting take con-



His Majesty King Hussein receives at the royal court Sunday visiting Iraqi delegation headed

by Speaker of Parliament Na'im Haddad.

## Hussein receives Haddad, reiterates support for Iraq

AMMAN, Dec. 20 (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein said today that Iraq is the steadfast Arab front on the eastern gate of the Arab World; therefore its present battle for the restoration of historical Arab rights and property is the battle of the whole Arab Nat-

The King, who was speaking at the royal court during an audience with visiting Speaker of Iraq's Parliament Na im Haddad and his accompanying delegation, praised the Iraqi army's successes achieved under the leadership of President Saddam Hussein.

"These successes represent Arab victory over weakness and backwardness and augur well for the Arab Nation's ability to resolf-confidence," the King said.

The King also reiterated Jordan's total support for Iraq and expressed his deep pain at, and denunciation of the stands of a number of Arab regimes which chose to follow Israel's example in extending assistance and support to the aggressive Iranian regime. "This regime, through its malpractices and fanaticism is causing a great deal of harm to Islam and at the same time is pursuing its expansionist and aggressive designs in the Arab Gulf region," the King said.

During the audience, Mr. Haddad briefed the King on the situation at the fighting front and the successes achieved by the Iraqi army. He also paid tribute to Jordan's bonourable stand under the leadership of King Hussein. "This stand is a source of pride

to Iraq and an enlightenment to the Arab Nation," Mr. Haddad said. "The Jordanian support", he added, "boosts Iraq's selfconfidence and its determination to pursue its victories."

King Hussein conferred on Mr. Haddad the Al Kawkab Medal of the First Order. The audience was

Abu 'Ein's wife protests to

U.S. envoy over extradition

AMMAN, Dec. 20 (J.T.) - Mrs. Hiam Abu Ein, wife of Ziad Abu

Ein, the Palestinian who was extradited to Israel by the U.S.

government on Dec. 13, met today U.S. Ambassador in Amman Richard Viets and handed him a letter of protest against her hus-

band's extradition, the full text of which appears below. Mr. Abu

'Ein, a 22-year-old Jordanian national, was extradited to face what

the Israeli authorities describe as charges connected with a mar-

ketplace bombing that killed two Israelis and wounded 36 in Tiberias in May 1979.

Despite the fact that the decision taken by your government concerning the extradition of my busband to the Israeli occupation

authorities is illegal, arbitrary, and contradicts all international customs; and despite the inhuman method by which he was ext-

1- Following-up on the trial of my husband and ensuring his right to defend himself before a civil and just court.

2- Ensuring that he would not be subject to torture by his Israeli

3- Allowing a doctor to check my husband at prison, because he

4 Easuring the right of my husband's family not to be subject to

was beaten and tortured by the Zionist intelligence men to whom he

the expropriation of their property or the demolishing of their

house since they have nothing to do with the accusation of Zind.

5- Allowing Zind's sister in Chicago to take all of his belongings.

papers, letters and diaries from his federal prison in Chicago and

Lastly, I condemn the inhuman method by which my husba

was taken out of prison in Chicago while his hands, as well as his

legs, were cuffed and was carried on a stretcher. I lay all res-

ponsibility on your government for his safety and destiny.

not to deliver them over to the occupation authorities.

was handed at Kennedy airport in New York.

radited; I request the following from the U.S. government:

attended by Chief of the Royal Court Ahmad Al Lawzi, Speaker of the Upper House of Parliament Bahjat Al Talhouni and Court Minister Amer Khammash.

### Visit with Badran

Mr. Haddad and his delegation were received earlier today by Prime Minister Mudar Badran. During the meeting, Mr. Badran reaffirmed Jordan's support for the Iraqi people in its just struggle. He also paid tribute to the Iraqi successes in its war to regain Arab rights and its participation alougside Arab armies in the struggle against Israel.

For his part, Mr. Haddad praised Jordan's stand and Jordan's support for Iraq in its endeavours to regain usurped territory.

### Meeting with Talhouni

Mr. Haddad also met with Mr. Talhouni who praised the Iraqi army's efforts and sacrifices on the eastern front and in Palestine for the restoration of usurped Arab territory. The meeting was attended by House members and the Iraqi Ambassador to Jordan Ibrahim Sultan Shuja'. Mr. Haddad and accompanying delegation, who arrived in Amman last night on an official visit at the invitation of the Upper House of Parliament, also met today with President of the National Consultative Council Ahmad Tarawneh. Mr. Tarawneh called in a speech on Arabs to extend all possible help and support for Iraq in

its just struggle. For his part Mr. Haddad said that Irao's war against Iran is that of the whole Arab Nation. "We are waging a war in defence of a just cause and in defence of the Gulf region which the Iranians consider their own," Mr. Haddad said. "Had it not been for Iraq's

confrontation of the Iranian regime's onslaught," be added, "the Iranian aggression would have extended to the whole Arab Gulf region". He also criticised those Arab states which chose to support the Iranian regime which has been coordinating its plans with the Zionist enemy.

Mr. Haddad repeated Iraq's stand that it is always willing to accept peace because it had never wished for this war. But he added that the Iraqi people will always be willing to offer sacrifices in defence of the Arab Nation's rights.

"What sort of talk is it to speak

# Begin scraps pact with United States

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM, of punishing Israel -- are we a vas-Dec. 20 (R) - The Israeli govemment declared its strategic cooperation accord with the United States null and void today in a bitter reaction to new punitive measures against Israel.

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A statement issued after a three-hour meeting of the Israeli cabinet criticised the U.S. for measures it took at the weekend in retaliation for Israel's annexation of the occupied Golan Heights last Monday.

Washington's steps included suspension of their strategic cooperation accord signed only three weeks ago in Washington and a halt to American purchases of Israeli arms.

Prime Minister Menachem Begin called in U.S. Ambassador Samuel Lewis prior to the cabinet session and delivered a torrent of rebuke, cabinet sources said.

Then the cabinet decided to scrap the strategic accord altogether, declaring that Israel had lived 3,700 years without such a shield and could do so in the fut-

But it was the bitter tone of the long statement that shocked foreign diplomats and signalled the worst crisis in Israel-U.S. relations that political sources could recall.

Israeli leaders had expected a strong American rebuke for the surprise annexation which was rushed through the Israeli Knesset (parliament) in one day at Mr. Begin's recommendation, but they were shocked at the intensity of the U.S. measures which fol-

sal state, are we a banana republic, are we 14-year-olds who when not behaving properly get hit across the knuckles?" Mr. Begin said to the U.S. ambassador. His statement was intended to be conveyed to President Reagan.

The angry prime minister added: "I regard your announcement of the suspension of discussions over the implementation of the memorandum of understanding as making it null and void...

> "The people of Israel have lived 3,700 years without a memorandum of understanding with the United States and we will live another 3,700 years without it. "In our eyes this is the can-

cellation of the memorandum." Mr. Begin noted that Washington had delayed arms deliveries after Israel's June raid on Iraq's nuclear reactor and after the July bombing of Palestinianbeadquarters in Beirut, which killed or wounded roughly 300 civ-

"You have no moral right to preach to us about civilian losses," Mr. Begin told Mr. Lewis, referring to 'your concept of body counts' during the Vietnam war.

Mr. Begin charged that the United States wanted to "hold Israel hostage" to the strategic accord.

He said the United States was using the accord to apply pressure on Israel in the deadlocked Palestinian "autonomy" talks.

The Israeli Premier accused the United States of going back on President Reagan's promise to buy \$200 million worth of military

equipment from Israeli factories. Recalling remarks by a British general in Palestine during the British mandate that the Jews were most vulnerable when "hit in their pocket." Mr. Begin asked the U.S. envoy: "Did you want to hit us in our pockets?"

The premier said he now understood why deal for the U.S. to provide Saudi Arabia with AWACS radar planes was "uccompanied by an ugly anti-Semitic campaign.

The United States voted for a Security Council demand on Friday that Israel rescind the Golan annexation. "There is no force in the world that can bring about the reversal of the Golan law," Mr.

Begin told the U.S. ambassador. Mr. Begin denied a U.S. charge that the annexation contravened Security Council Resolution 242, the basic formula for Middle East

"The meaning of the resolution is for negotiations for defensible and recognised borders. Syria announced it would never negotiate with us and does not recognise us and will not recognise us. thereby removing the spirit of 242. So how can we be accused of

violating 242?" Mr. Begin asked. Israeli forces were put on alert soon after the Golan annexation and more troops and armour were sent to the border zone but Mr.

Begin said Israel would not initiate a war. "But if either the terrorists (Palestinian forces) or the Syrians

attack then we will launch a counter-attack," he added. (Editorial comment, page 4)

### U.S. urged to resist 'de facto' annexation of West Bank

By Khader Nassar

AMMAN, Dec. 20 - A senior Jordanian government official said today the United States should come out clearly against what he called the de facto annexation by Israel of the West Bank.

He said Washington's decision to suspend a strategic cooperation agreement with Tel Aviv because of the Israeli annexation of the Syrian Golan Heights was "a very

good reaction on the face of it." "But it was not sufficient to make us believe that they (the United States) are against the de

facto annexation of the West Bank," he told Reuters.

Asked to comment on the U.S. reaction to the annexation of the Golan Heights, the official said: "It was only a reaction to an Israeli move, not an American move to make things change." Israel was creating a de facto

Bank, he said, and the United States had so far failed to say what autonomy for the 1.2 million Palestinians in Israeli-occupied territories should mean.

Egyptian-Israeli talks on Palestiman "autonomy" on the West Bank and in Gaza have made little

The senior official said the central issue was whether the Palestinians should have sovereignty over the land or, as Israel insists. whether they should be regarded as a foreign community living on Israeli land. civil administration on the West

Egypt, which is due to recover the remaining part of Israelioccupied Sinai in April, had so far avoided a showdown with Israel

on the issue, he said. And the United States, which sponsored the talks under the

progress so far because of wide Egypt and Israel, had not said differences on what autonomy what autonomy meant, he added.

The senior Jordanian official

> said: "If the United States fails to take sides with Egypt, then it is backing a de facto annexation." He said Israel could annex the Golan Heights because they were sparsely populated and inhabited mainly by Druzes who had links with their community in Israel.

But he said Israel could not at present formally extend Israeli law to the densely populated West Bank because giving Israeli cit-izenship to 1.2 million Arabs would undermine the concept of a Camp David agreements between Jewish state.

### New arrival on Amman's hotel scene

By Dina Matar Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN, Dec. 20 - The JD 10 million Amman Marriott Hotel, which has been under construction for about three years, is finally open to all.

Situated near the Ministry of Interior Circle in the rapidly developing Shmeisani business area, the prestigious 296-room five-star deluxe hotel has turned out to be even more than anybody expected. Besides the wide variety of rooms, from twins and doubles to executive parlours and royal suites, the hotel has 40 cabanas surrounding its outdoor pool.

The hotel also boasts two restaurants: Al Mansaf family restourant, open all day for light snacks and complete meals, and Al Walima speciality restaurant, for elegant dining. There are also Al Yanbou cocktail lounge overlooking the hotel's lobby, and Al Rababi nightclub for live entertainment.

But what sets the building apart as a piece of unrivalled hotel art is its lobby, which looks like something out of a dream. The combination of warm burgundy colours, the gentle waterfall pouring into a mosaic-tiled pool, the gig-antic green plants and the skylight combine for an inviting effect and a slight feeling of unreality.

It seems that the hotel's designer has taken into account not only the guests' comfort but the country's climate as well. Sitting in the lobby one feels part of an exotic, refreshing outdoor setting. Besides all these attractions, the

botel has extensive conference facilities. Its Waha salon can hold about 500 people at one time, and for smaller occasions is divisible into four sections. Al Marj suite, on the other hand, can hold as used for receptions as well as business meetings.

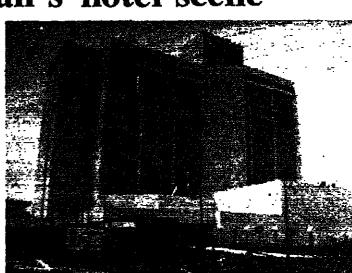
Guests as well as a selected membership can enjoy the fac-littles of the hotel's Health Centre. The centre features an indoor as well as an outdoor swimming pool - both heated -- a steam room, a sauna room, a massage room, an exercise room and whirlpool bath. According to Marriott General Manager Haile Aguilar, "our hea-Ith centre's membership will be limited and exclusive, because we want everybody to feel at home."

Besides all these facilities, the hotel has a gift shop with authentic antiques, Jordanian dress and handicrafts and other selected traditional clothing; and a shopping mall to comprise a clothes store, a pastry shop, a barber shop and a beauty parlour. Some 328 people are currently

employed at the hotel. They represent a mixture of nationalities, with the Philippines heavily represented. But the hotel tried to hire as many Jordanians as possible, "even though it was a difficult job, because Jordanians still do not appreciate the hotel business," Mr. Aguilar told the Jordan Times.

The 39-strong management team, however, has been working hard to train the employees and to enlighten them about Jordan's attractions. And every week, not less that three sessions have been held, where employees got together with the management and discussed problems and ways of improving the work.

"We know the shortcomings of the hotel industry in this country,"Mr. Aguilar affirmed "and we are trying hard to overcome them." The management's motto has been, "Employee first, guest second, management third,"



Amman Marriott Hotel. (Photo by Yousef Al 'Allan).

had the desired effect. Mr. Aguilar, who has long experience in botel business behind him, said, happy, they will make our guests

of Jordanian hospitality into each

of our staff members, although some of them are not Jordanians," Mr. Aguilar said. Working on the management team are two Jordanian young women Miss Nisreen Shaker and Mrs. Muzayyan Ramo. They are perhaps the first Jordanian fem-

ales to plunge themselves wholeheartedly into the business. Mrs. Ramo has behind her a history of hotel work dating back to 1976, when she was only 10. She worked as a waitress in one hotel in Geneva, as a maid in another in Ireland, and now she is reservations manager at the Marriott. She told the Jordan Times, "I feel

ager, she said she feels the hotel is part of her now. "We looked forward to the opening so long that "When we make our employees we feel it is our home now," she

The Marriott Hotel intends to We are trying to instil the spirit attract a special clientele, mainly including serious visitors such as businessmen. However, it also expects to accommodate special tourist groups. "But our main target is businessmen, and some other selected patrons," Mr. Aguilar said. The hotel, the only anti-seismic

building in Jordan, was built by the local contracting firm Intemational Contracting and Investment Company (ICICO). Some local and foreign subcontractors undertook the finishings, and electrical installations. The botel's furniture has been brought from the United States, and the overall design was handled by Californian architects so happy about my job, I would and engineers. The lobby was do not leave it for anything in the igned by interior designers empcommented many of the hotel world." Miss Shaker expressed loyed by the Marriott Corporation

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## THE HOLIDAYS IN AMMAN'S CHURCHES

Following is a guide to services in Amman's churches for Christmas and the New Year, compiled by Samira Kawar. This and the accompanying article appear in conjunction with today's Jordan Times Christmas Supplement.

## ARAB EVANGELICAL EPISCOPAL CHURCH

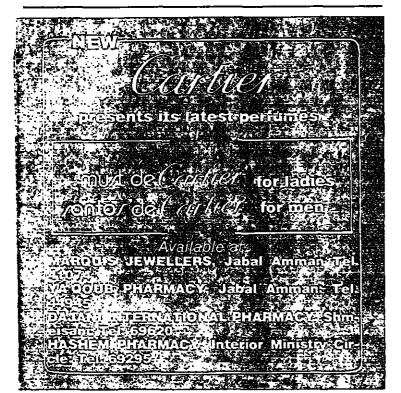
Taursday, Dec. 24, 5:30 p.m: Christmas Eve service (at Al Ashrafiyeh church only).

Friday, Dec. 25, 9 a.m.: CRISTMAS SERVICE in Arabic (to %be broadcast live on Radio Jordan).

Friday, Jan. 1, 11 a.m.: New Year service in Arabic.

EAST JORDAN CHAPLAINCY

Thursday, Dec. 24, 11:30 p.m.: Midnight Communion.



CHRISTMAS DAY, Dec. 25, 11 a.m.: Morning Prayer/Holy Com-

Sunday, Dec. 27, 12 noon: Carol service and nativity play.

Both the East Jordan Chaplaincy and the Arab Evangelical Episcopal Church meet at the Church of the Redeemer, below First Circle in Jabal Amman, behind the Ahliyya Girls' School (CMS), and near Restaurant China.

## ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCHES

1. Church of Our Lady of the Annunciation, (Jabal Luweibdeh, opposite the Pakistani embassy. Parish priest Rev. Khalil Bdewy, tel. 37440).

Dec. 24/25: midnight mass at 12:01 a.m.

CHRISTMAS DAY: Masses at 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 10 a.m., (in English), 11 a.m., and 5 p.m.

Jan. 1 (New Year's Day): Masses at 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 10 a.m. (in English), 11 a.m. aud 5 p.m.

2. St. Joseph's Church (Jabal Amman, First Circle, Parish priest Rev. Emmanuel Sawalha, tel. 24590)

Dec. 24/25: midnight mass at 1:01 a.m.

CHRISTMAS DAY: Masses at 7.30 a.m., 9 a.m., 11 a.m., (in English), 12 noon (in English) and 4:30 p.m.

Jan. 1 (New Year's Day): Masses at 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 11 a.m. (in English). 12 noon (in English) and 4:30 p.m.

3. Church of Saint John the Baptist (Jabal Hussein, Frere Street, Parish priest Father Mousa Adeli, tel. 61757

Dec. 24/25: Midnight mass at 12:01 a.m.

CHRISTMAS DAY: Masses at 9 a.m., 11 a.m., and 5 p.m. (in English)

Jan. 1 (New Year's Day): Masses at 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. (in English)

### GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

Thursday, Dec. 24, 11 p.m.: Mass

Friday, Dec. 25, 7.30 a.m.: Mass for those unable to attend the mass of the previous night.

## ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH

Thursday, Dec. 24, 5 p.m.: Mass

Friday, Dec. 25, 8 a.m.: Prayer service; 9:30 a.m. Mass

Saturday, Dec. 26, 8 a.m.: Prayer service; 9.30 a.m., (Mass to commemorate the dead, followed by a visit to the countery.)

Friday, Jan. 1, 8 a.m.: Prayer Service 9:30 a.m.; Mass

### GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH

Jabal Amman, First Circle, near Malhas Hospital

Thursday, Dec. 24, 11 p.m.: Mass

Friday, Dec. 25, 9 a.m.: Mass; 11 a.m. Mass.

Friday, Jan. 1, 9 a.m.: Mass; 11 a.m., Mass.

### Traditions live in small Christian communities

By Dina Matar

THE SMALL Coptic community in Jordan has adhered to its traditions.

For Copts, the month before Christmas - called kehik according to the Coptic calendar - is devoted to never-ending masses in honour of the Virgin Mary. And 40 days before Christmas, Copts start their traditional vegetarian diet, which imposes abstinence from all animal food, including meat and dairy products.

from all animal food, including meat and dairy products.

Starting three days before Christmas, Copts stick to an eighthour fast each day, "to prepare the body for the coming of Christ, the Savisor", explained the pastor of the Coptic Church in Jordan,

Copts, whether young or old, make it a point to fast, even when fasting seems to be observed only by the very religious or the very

"Fasting is an important as going to mass every day and loving one's neighbours," Father Maximus told the Jordan Times.

The Coptic Church is found predominantly in Egypt, and most of its members are Egyptians, although some have obtained Jordanian passports. "Although the Church finds no excuses for people who do not observe the church rituals, it is a church of love and forgiveness," a young Coptic girl said.

As Christmas draws near, each Coptic household thinks of the poor, and allocates a corner in the house for the needy. The corner is filled up with donations every day.

The donations, which could be clothes or money, are then given to the church, which distributes them to the poor on Christmas

In a way, Copts are more "oriental" in their Christmas celebrations than other Christians in Jordan. Visits are exchanged,

and although the church does not encourage visits to the dead, such traditions have been picked up from other communities around. The Christmas tree, a tradition with others, is not a must. Father Maximus said: "Putting up the tree is more a Western tradition. As Copts we would rather pay our respects to Christ and the Vigin Mary than cluster around a thing."

On the other hand, Copts exchange gifts on Boxing Day, the day after Christmas, believing that thus they emulate the shepherds, who gave gifts to Christ a day after he was born.

Armenian traditions

Armenians in Jordan also cling to their traditions, inherited from older generations. Again, Armenians observe a 40-day fast, during which they abstain from eating animal products. But, in their case, it seems that these days only the old stick to the fast.

Some 550 Armenian families live in Jordan, most of whom are of the Armenian Orthodox faith, while the rest are Armenian Caholics.

On Christmas Eve, after midnight mass, the Armenian Ort-

hodox Church choir tours the town, singing Christmas carels and collecting donations and money for the needy. Sometimes the rounds do not finish until 4 a.m., Armenian Orthodox pester, Father Topolian told the Jordan Times.

Now, although some traditions have been discarded, Armenian

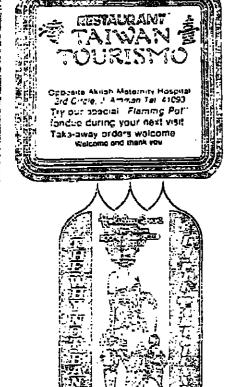
still stick together and celebrate both Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, reminiscing about their homeland, and talking over the good old days.

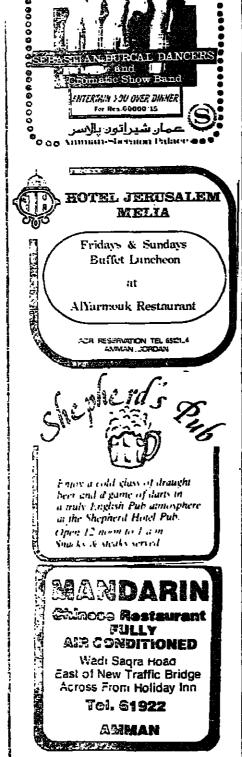
"But things have changed, "Mrs Arda Hassasian said. "Now the young no longer want to fast; all they want to do is go out and enjoy themselves together."

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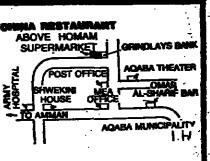


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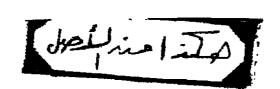
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# JD 5.4m to go to rural roads

AMMAN, Dec. 20 (Petra) — Minister of Public Works 'Awni Al Masri today announced allocations totalling JD 5,394,000 for the construction, maintenance and improvements of agricultural and village roads in the various governorates in 1982.

Amman Governorate will receive JD 1,125,000; Balqa Governorate JD 800,000; Irbid Governorate JD 1,564,000; Ma'an Governorate JD 545,000, Karak Governorate JD 630,000; Tafila District JD 330,000 and Mafraq District JD 400,000, he said.

Mr. Masri was speaking at a meeting held at his ministry and attended by Interior Minister Suleiman Arar, the under secretary of the Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs and the Environment and other senior officials, as well as Irbid Governor Mohammad Daoudiyeh, the Mafraq district governor and representatives of other departments.

In briefing his ministry's plans, Mr. Masri said that allocations this year exceeded those for 1981. those for 1981.

Out of these allocations, JD 736,000 will be spent on improvement of roads, JD 750,000 on asphalt layers for village roads, JD 400,000 on new agricultural roads and JD 100,000 will be spent on improving dangerous curves along the country's highways and roads, he said

During the meeting, the participants decided on priorities in the implementation of these projects in the governorates of Amman, Irbid and the District of Mafraq.

Speaking at the meeting, Interior Minister Suleiman Arar voiced his appreciation of the Ministry of Public Works for allowing local governors around the country to take part in determining priorities in the implementation of projects in their districts, thus facilitating the task of the central government.

It was announced after the meeting that Mr. Masri will hold a press conference before the end of the month to make a detailed announcement of areas where the projects will be carried out and the priorities in their implementation.

### Badran visits NRA

AMMAN, Dec. 20 (Petra) — Prime Minister Mudar Badran called at the Natural Resources Authority (NRA) today and met with its director and senior aides. Mr. Badran was briefed on the authority's activities in oil prospecting and its future plans.

### Prayers for water set for Thursday

AMMAN, Dec. 20 (Petra) — The Ministry of Awqaf and Islamic and Holy Places Affairs has called on Jordanian citizens to take part in special prayers for rain which will be held on Thursday. A ministry statement also called on citizens to follow the example of the Prophet Mohammad by fasting three days before joining in the prayers. The Amman prayer will be held at the King Hussein College on Jabal Al Hussein at noon.

Phosphate exports to China discussed

AMMAN, Dec. 20 (Petra) — Exporting Jordanian phosphates to China was discussed here today by the director of the Jordan

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Phosphates Mines Company, Mr. Ali Nsour, and Chinese ambassador to Jordan Ku Hsiapo. After the meeting, held at the company's headquarters, the ambassador expressed his country's willingness to purchase more Jordanian phosphates.

### Seminar set for new mayors

AMMAN, Dec. 20 (J.T.) — Twenty-five recently elected mayors will attend a seminar at the Public Administration Institute on Dec. 26, according to Al Ra'i newspaper. The principal of the institute, Mr. Abdullah Ulayyan, said that the mayors will be lectured on legal, local administrative and organisational affairs.

### VTC chief to attend Tripoli seminar

AMMAN, Dec. 20 (Petra) — The Vocational Training Corporation (VTC) will take part in a seminar on training instructors, which will be held on Dec. 27 in Tripoli, Libya. VTC Director Munther Al Masri will attend the two-day seminar, which is organised by the Arab Vocational Training Centre.

### Civil servants' market plans expansion

AMMAN, Dec. 20 (J.T.) — The Civil Service Consumer Corporation will open a new branch in Zarqa in 1982, Al Ra'i new-spaper reported today, quoting corporation officials. The officials also said that the corporation will open a central market in the 'Ain Ghazal area in the coming few weeks, when the exhibition halls of the centre have been completed.

### NRA well team hits pay dirt

AMMAN, Dec. 20 (Petra) — The Natural Resources Authority (NRA) says its teams have drilled 34 wells during this year in search of ground water in Jordan. The last of these wells, according to Dr. Abdul Aziz Wishah, head of NRA's underground water division, was located east of the town of Malih in Madaba District, where after drilling at a depth of 198 metres, an aquifer 137 metres deep was found. He said that after preliminary experiments it was found that 120 cubic metres an hour can be pumped out of the well. This amount, he added, is ample for the regions' drinking water needs.

### WHAT'S GOING ON

### Exhibitions

- \* An exhibition of "Contemporary Jordanian Painters," at the Spanish Cultural Centre.
- \* Paintings, entitled "Desert," by Princess Wijdan Ali at the Alia Art Gallery.
- \* An exhibition of Koranic calligraphy and illumination at the Royal Academy for Islamic Research (Al al-Bait Foundation) in Umm Uthaina (Six Circle, Jabal Amman).

### Lecture

- \* The American Centre of Oriental Research presents "The Year 1,500 B.C.," a lecture by Dr. Linda Jacobs, at 6:30 p.m.
- \* The University Hospital presents a lecture entitled "Psychotropic Drugs in Childhood Psychiatric Disorders," by Dr. Walid Shugum, associate professor of child psychology at the University of Missouri in Columbia, Mo. at 2:00 p.m.
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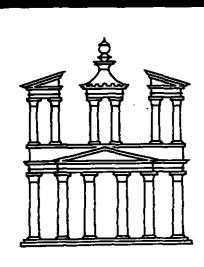
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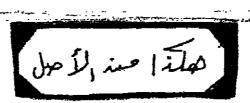


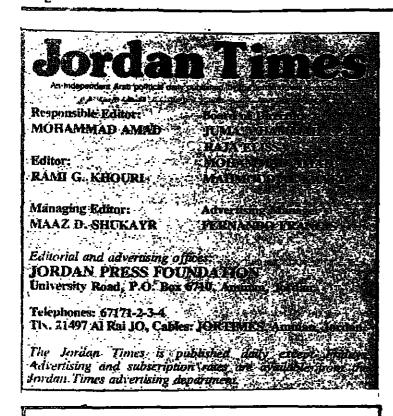


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### Israel personified

WE WOULD like to point out to some of our more naive and innocent friends in the West — particularly in the United States, where naivete and ignorance seem to be particularly dominant traits when Middle Eastern affairs are concerned — how wrong they have been to suggest that Israeli policies would change if only the crazies in the entourage of Prime Minister Menachem Begin would leave office and be replaced by a more reasonable government. A cardinal fallacy of Western analyses of Israeli actions has always been that the "hardline" policies of the incumbent Israeli government are an obstacle to progress towards peace—an obstacle that would disappear with the advent of a different Israeli government.

Recent events suggest otherwise. It was not Mr. Begin himself, but a majority of the popularly elected Israeli Knesset (parliament) that voted on the bill to annex the occupied Syrian Golan Heights. Similarly, the most recent public opinion polls last week show a full half of the Israeli population supporting Defence Minister Ariel Sharon as the best man for the job. It was this same Mr. Sharon who, in an address last week to the Institute for Strategic Studies at Tel Aviv University, said that Israel's "sphere of security interest" must be expanded to include Pakistan, Turkey, Iran and the Arabian Gulf and Africa.

We would suggest to those of our friends in the West who remain blissfully naive and ignorant that they re-examine the fundamental forces at work within Israel, and look more closely at the ideas of people such as Mr. Begin and Mr. Sharon. These are not wildmen on the fringes of an otherwise humane society. These men are the symbol and personification of political Zionism and the modern Israeli state. They are Israel, and those in the West who provide the money and the diplomatic support for Israel should rub their eyes and wake up from their slumber.

### ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

### U.S. policies against the touchstone

AL RA'I: It can be said that the United Nations Security Council session on Jan. 5 will be the real touchstone to the U.S. policy on the Golan Heights issue if Israel does not retract its decision to annex the Heights before that date.

It is true that the U.S. administration has suspended the strategic cooperation agreement with Israel and that it has frozen its decision to buy military equipment worth \$200 million from Israel in order to force Israel to rescind its decision to annex the Golan Heights; but this positive step by Washington does not relieve it from its duty to the international community to adopt sanctions to punish Israel if it does not comply with the Security Council's resolution which has called on Israel to abandon the idea of annexing the Golan Heights.

If the U.S. administration does not side with the international community in this issue then the step it has taken in suspending the strategic cooperation agreement will be nothing more than a palliative which does not constitute a beginning for a balanced U.S. policy in the Middle East.

Statements ascribed to U.S. officials that Washington will not allow the imposition of international sanctions against Israel pose more than one question. Therefore, it is the U.S. stand at the United Nation Security Council's forthcoming session that will put to the test the seriousness of the U.S. policy on the Middle East and the Golan Heights issues.

### Condemnations insufficient

AL DUSTOUR: The Israeli reaction to the United Nations Security Council's resolution on the Golan Heights issue, as expected, expressed itself in the implementation of the Knesset's decision to annex the Heights all the more defiantly. The Security Council's resolution on the Golan Heights, furthermore, should not be viewed in isolation from the U.S. reaction to Israel's decision to annex the Heights.

It is said that it is impossible for the faithful to be deceived twice by the same ruse. The U.S. reaction must not be a repetition of that which the United States evinced when Israel attacked the Iraqi nuclear reactor. The United States postponed the delivery of F-16 planes to Israel only to deliver them some days later in order to strengthen the Zionist entity and encourage it and sharpen its expectite for expansion and aggression

appetite for expansion and aggression.

The Security Council's resolution and the U.S. reaction will have no effect unless they are put into practice because Israel has always been known to disregard such resolutions and reactions. Deterrent measures are the only means capable of making the Israeli aggressors retract their decision to annex the Golan Hei-

The Arabs are called on to exert collective efforts in order to secure the support of all the states that voted against the Israeli decision to annex the Golan Heights to vote for imposing sanctions against Israel during the Security Council's forthcoming costion in Isnuary.

session in January.

The success of this step also depends on the United States seriousness in condemning the Israeli decision to annex the Hei-

ghts.
The U.S. stand, in its turn, depends on what the United States stand to lose or gain if it supported such a resolution.

But the fact remains that it is the Arabs' responsibility to regain their rights. The Arab foreign ministers who will meet in Tunis have to break out of their whiripool of destructive squabbles and to come up with the alternatives sought by all Arab citizens.

### DE FACTONOMICS

By T. A. Jaber

### People with initiative.

We often describe in our daily conversation a fellow as having "initiative". We may even generalise and refer to an institution or to a whole country as resulting from initiative. I believe that Jordan is fortunate in this respect as the door is open for positive initiative both in the private and public sectors.

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Bureaucracy was studied thoroughly as a phenomenon which tends to hinder the progress of developing countries; but not much was concluded on the need for initiative or the lack of it. Is it inherent of simply an attitude that can be promoted? Is it circumstantial or historical? What would happen if most people with initiative are concentrated in the private sector? Should the government pursue an open policy to attract such people and retain them?

These questions are similar to those that are raised when dealing with the economic problem of scarcity. People with initiative are scarce human resources. They may not exceed 15 per cent of the total population. In dormant societies, initiators can be easily identified and even counted. There is therefore the problem of competing demands for initiators. How should a society adapt its policies to benefit by these people?

In Jordan, competing demands originate from public agencies, semi-public institutions, the private sector, and the self-employed and all these

parties compete with the demand from neighbouring Arab countries. It is noted that in the last few years the public sector, particularly the government, has been less and less competitive in employing initiators. This was often explained in terms of higher remunerations in the private actor; but, other administrative reasons remain

important factors behind this tendency.

Another pertition question is how to direct initiative for the overall interest of society. An initiator is a person who performs his duties efficiently and thinks of better ways of doing the same job. He usually does not wait for detailed instructions to act on a certain matter, and his staff are not forever threatened by the possibility of being replaced by others.

Dr. Hagen, an American economist who emphasised the socio-cultural factors in economic development, has gone further to explain development as the presence of a group of people in society who are induced by the "need for achievement". Fortunately, these people direct their efforts to business and excell in that field in compensation for the lack of recognition which they suffered previously.

Our people have been business-minded traders since trade began. The customs office which was cared at the entrance of Petra more than two thousand years ago is a good illustration of this inherent quality. Jordan should continue to be a meeting place for initiative, particularly since initiators in other countries of the region have become more and more cornered and harassed. Accordingly, our institutions should develop a regional outlook and promote joint activities that benefit Arabs at large. This applies not only to educational, training and research institutions, but to most other activities like banking, business, medical services, and others.

## U.S. press condemns annexation of Golan

American newspaper editors commented Dec. 16 on the Israeli government's decision to annex the Golan Heights. The following are some excerpts from editorials:

NEW YORK TIMES:

The prospect of even minor adjustments in the Golan frontier is one of the few incentives for Syria ever to join in peace talks. Instead of pointlessly provoking the Arabnations, a far-sighted Israel would use its present peace with Egypt and military superiorty to build up those incentives. And if Israel won't, the United States' should—by refusing at this point to recognise the annexation.

Most damaging of all is this further strain in relations with America. Sympathy for Israel's security
interests runs very deep in the
United States. But the harder it
becomes to distinguish those vital
interests from mere political convenience, the more will Americans indulge their new commercial and cultural fascinations
with the Arab side. This unmistakable erosion of support should be worrying Israel more than
Golan.

WASHINGTON POST:

Menachem Begin got out of a hospital bed Monday and, within liburs, without a word of notice or preparation, broke the fundamental Israel's hopes for peace hinge. That promise, repeated many times, was to exchange territory for peace. By amexing the Golan, Israel precludes peace with Syria. It is that simple...

Syria. It is that sample...

The most damaging burden Washington carries in its dealings with Arab countries is their suspicion that the United States is an accomplice, either mindless or witting, of a manipulative Israeli expansionism. This is why the administration must leave no doubt about its rejection of the Israeli action. Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger says it is like the Israeli attack on the Iraqi reactor. WRONG: It is worse. The attack on the reactor had a certain security rationale. This step has

none.

Fortunately, it is only a political decision, changing nothing on the ground. Therefore, a political decision can rescind it. Mr. Reagan should not bother tut-tutting. He should bring real pressure to bear on the Israelis to return to the position that territory is to be traded for peace. There is nothing to negotiate here. It must be, for the United States, a point of principle. What other basis is there on which the United States can support Israel

CHICAGO SUN-TIMES:

Specifically now it throws sand into the machinery of Camp David by undermining the credibility among Arabs not only of the United States but of Egypt's new president. Hosni Mubarak By suffering Israeli self-indulgence on the Golan in order to gain back the last third of the Sinai next year, Mubarak suffers acute embarrassment among his own people and in the Arab world at large.

Syria did give Begin excuses for the annexation — by using the Golan as an outpost for shelling Israeli communities in Galilee and the upper Jordan Valley before 1967, and last week with statements that it would not recognise Israel"in even 100 years." But, excuses are not jus-

egrity of every state in the including Syria, whose ereignty over the Golan H tifications for violating int-

emational law.

President Reagan cannot recognise the Golan annexation, and, in future, he will have to be much firmer with Menachem Begin.
One sided toughness by Israel's prime minister ill serves the American-Israeli relationship.

BOSTON GLOBE:

The legal problem is that all parties have accepted the principles of U.N. resolution 242, which calls for negotiations by all parties for the final settlement of frontiers between states and acceptance of the principle of "the inadmissibility of the acquisition of territory by war..."

As long as Israel posessed the Golan Heights in a mode short of annexation, it was in formal agreement with this provision of 242. It "administered" its holding, in a technical sense pending the negtiations visualised by the resolution. The veneer is now gone. The remainder is not pre-. "What we are concerned with today is not only the historical aspect, not only the secunity aspect," Begin told the Knesset, "but also the moral-political aspect." The Israeli Prime Minister is tragically and arrogantly wrong on this issue. Annexing the Golan is neither politically nor morally sound....

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MON-ITOR:

When Prime Minister Menachem Begin signed the peace treaty with Egypt three years ago he declared that "in Jewish teachings, there is a tradition that the greatest achievement of a human being is to turn his enemy into a friend." It will sadden the world that Israel. contrary to that sentiment, once again seems to be doing everything to perpetuate the enemity of its neighbours. Mr. Begin's abrupt annexation of the occupied Golan Heights — without even informing the United States - not only flagrantly violates intemational law. It can only confirm the fears of Syria and other Arab states that Israel is dangerous. How can this possibly serve the cause of Israel's long-term security ... Washington has criticised the Golan Grab, but it is clear that mere public denunciations of Israeli actions do little good. Has the time come for a str-

onger response? Some Mideast hands suggest the U.S. ought to make clear to Israel that it must bear the consequences of its action and that it cannot count on American economic and military help to sustain its "ownership" of the Golan land. Threatening a cutoff of aid or cruting it — is not pleasant business. But, at a time of such pressures on the Federal Budget, the American people may well wonder why they should continue supporting Israeli policies which are inimical to U.S. interests....

With its needless and provocative act, Israel has shown that it can be as contemptous of international obligations as its worst enemies. Israel insists that the foundation for Middle Eastern peace must be the Camp David agreements and the U.N. Security Council Resolutions on which they are based. In accepting these resolutions, Israel has accepted the principle of respect for the sovereignty and the territorial integrity of every state in the area, including Syria, whose sovereignty over the Golan Heights has never been called into question

Now that principle has been scorned. The price for this exhibition of disdain could prove very high indeed.

NEW YORK POST, EDI-TORIAL:

... Having postponed formal annexation for 14 years, Israel serves no useful purpose by unilateral anticipation of the comprehensive peace settlement which the Camp David process is meant to secure.

The unseemly haste with which Prime Minister Begin pushed through the Knesset the extension of Israeli law to the area provides its own reproach.

Although there is broad support in Israel for the action, it represents lamentable timing. It flies in the face of developments which have been going Israel's way: the collapse of the Saudi peace plan; France's rejection of the European initiative to create a PLO state; the new U.S. Israel Strategic Agreement; imminent visits by Egypt's President Mubarak and France's President Mitterrand.

. It unnecessarily damages U.S. trust, puts Mubarak under further pressure from Arab hardliners and offers grounds for Israel's opponents to say it is not genuinely seeking West Bank autonomy...

NEW YORK TIMES, ANTHONY LEWIS:

... Prime Minister Begin could hardly have made it plainer that he was seizing on a moment when the world was preoccupied by Poland. A year ago he turned aside demands for annexation of the Golan Heights. Now he produced the bill without notice and drove it through the Knesset in just six hours. The action was highly emb-

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The action was highly embarrassing to President Mubarak of Egypt, underlining his isolation from the rest of the Arab world at a time when he is trying to bridge that gap. There are some Israeli politicians who should like to provoke him to some hostile act—withdrawing his Ambassador from Tel Aviv, for example. They want an excuse not to proceed in April with Israel's final withdrawal from Sinai.

But Mr. Begin has repeatedly affirmed his infention to carry out the Sinai withdrawal. I believe he had a larger purpose in acting so suddenly and dramatically on the Golan Heights. That was to discrupt diplomatic moves looking toward Israel's withdrawal from the West Bank in exchange for a peace settlement and security guarantees.

The basic United Nations document on the problem, Security Council Resolution 242, pointed to such a solution. It called for Israeli "withdrawal from territories occupied" in the 1967 war and for establishment of "secure and recognised boundaries." The implication was that both sides should

Resolution 242 has been accepted by successive Israeli governments -- including Mr. Begin's in the Camp David agreement. But he has shown now that he does not read it the way the rest of the world does, as allowing the most modest border rectification.

# Time to speak in one voice

'A high-ranking former White House official predicts that American Middle East policy is "on the verge of collapse" and that the gap between American and European Community (EC) Middle East policies will widen in the months to come. So what? The United States, the most powerful nation in the world, arguably has what it wants: a steady supply of oil from the Arab world, a patron leadership with Israel that none dares challenge, adequate if cautious ties with most Arab states - and a "manageable" if uneasy EC partner across the water. Western Europe, on the other hand, arguably has what it wants: a steady supply of oil from the Arab World, adequate if cautious ties with Israel, a lacklustre but official Euro-Arab dialogue, and guarded appreciation from most Arab states for its efforts to forge a Middle East policy independent of Washington.

May be the cynics and the realpolitikers are right; maybe there isn't any pressing reason for the United States to turn full attention to the faltering Middle East peace process; for Europe to insist on an approach to the issue that effectively includes the Palestinians; or for Arab friends of the West to argue that their situation is untenable as long as most Arabs regard the West as hostile to the Arabs. Is this the whole story, or is there reason for a different perspective on the Middle East and for better understanding between the Americans and the Europeans about how to proceed?

There is a compelling need for a vigorous dialogue between the United States and the EC on the Middle East, for many reasons. The foremost is that in no other part of the world are major western assets so inextricably linked to an unstable political situation that could bring them and world peace to ruin.

Shared Western interests in the Middle East fall into several major categories; economic, strategic, and social. Economic interests are dominated by the West's dependence on imported oil to keep its industrial democracies functioning and by the need to export goods and services to the region to pay for the oil. Some two-thirds of total European oil consumption is Middle Eastern in origin, while the United States imports about one-fourth of its needs from the region. In the event of another oil embargo or other disruption in supply, the economies of Western Europe would come to an abrupt halt, and American productivity would be sharply affected. (Great Britain, with its North Sea oil fields, would be the only EC nation insulated from the initial shock of a Middle East oil cut-off). Even if the oil lifeline stays open, the Western democracies are required to export in wolume to the Middle East in order to offset the oil import bill. While the Middle Eastern oil-producing countries prefer to import western goods and services on a large scale, they have considerable latitude in choosing non-western suppliers if they decide to make a political statement about the political situation.

Western strategic interests in the Middle East are of the highest order, since there is a potential Soviet threat to both the oil supply and political stability through subversion of pro-western leaders. The strategic dimension also includes the broader challenge of historical Russian ambitions to secure access to warm-water ports and to maintain a sphere of influence to the south. The minimum Western strategic requirement is to maintain uninterrupted access to oil and to check Soviet moves. Lack of resolution of the Middle East conflict perpetuates and enhances Soviet opportunities for mischief in the region.

Many Americans allege that the EC has "sold out Israel" for Arab oil, while many Europeans allege that the United States is unable to conduct a Middle East policy in its own interest owing to pressures from the Israel lobby. An effective Euro-American dialogue on the Middle East has not yet materialised, although there could be a political break through now that the Europeans have agreed to join the multinational observers' force being assembled under American supervision to police the Egyptian-Israeli border in eastern Sinai following final Israeli withdrawal in April 1982. While the military dimension of the Sinai force is likely to be marginal, its completion is of major concern to the Reagan administration,

In the final analysis there is no need for US-European estrangement over the Middle East. At its root is the reflection of differences in how to address the Palestinian question. It is likely that Middle East peace will prove ultimately unachievable without the United States taking a prescriptive role and defining the outlines of a fair settlement. At that point the EC, which has already spelled out the basic components of a fair settlement (Israeli security guaranteed, occupied Arab land evacuated, and Palestinian selfm made possible), could be of assistance to Washington. In 1950 the United States, committed to military intervention in Korea, made that action internationally supportable by multilateralising it through the United Nations. When the United States realises that Middle East peace requires it to spell out what it believes to be a fair settlement, it would significantly enhance the credibility of the move with the American people and thus strengthen its prospects if it were done in the name of the Atlantic alliance and with the cooperation of its Western European friends.

John P. Richardson is president of the Centre for US-European Middle East Cooperation in Washington, D.C.

-- Middle East International

# Can Fulbright awards escape Reagan's axe?

By Jim Adams

PAST RECIPIENTS of Fulbright, Scholarships are riding to the rescue of the prestigious award and other cultural exchange programmes facing U.S. President Ronald Reagan's budget axe. So far, they have made some progress in convincing Congress. Fulbright Ahumi and other scholars argue that the exchange programmes are a good way to educate future for-

eign leaders about America.
An appropriation bill now before the Senate would not only restore all the cuts, but also would add an extra \$9 million for the Fullbright Scholarships and direct the administration to spend the money. A bill restoring the cuts has already passed the House of Representatives.

'Reagan, however, has vowed to make his cuts stick. Congressional sources say they're getting no signals on whether the administration is willing to exempt the exchange programme from the

In response to Reagan's fall directive for every federal agency to chop 12 per cent from its budget, the International Communications Agency (ICA)) wants to cut its cultural exchange programme and not the Voice of America and other ICA broadcast operations.

ICA spokesman Henry Ryan said his agency hopes Congress and the administration will prevent the cuts from being made. But should ICA reductions occur, he said, the agency has decided they must come in exchange programmes.

ICA has proposed cutting \$25.6 million from the \$48 million planned for scholarship programmes and \$11.5 million from the \$19.8 million for visitor exchange programmes. The biggest single cut would slash \$19.8 million from the \$41.9 million now ticketed for the Fullbrights. Named after formet Senator J. William Pullbright, the Fullbright Scholarships have beought about 85,000 students from other countries to the United States since World War II and have sent about 45,000 Americans abroad to study.

Representative Howard Wolpe, chairman of the House Africa Subcommittee, said during a house debate that the cuts will close down virtually all Fulbright programmes in Africa that have "paid off with the creation of a moderate pro-Western government in Zimbabwe."

Wolpe said five of Zimbabwe's 15 cabinet members are Fulbright Alumni, as are 25 other Zimbabwe officials. The ICA says the cuts would eliminate scholarships in 61 of the 120 countries, in the programme, wiping out nearly all in Africa and many in Asia, the Middle East and South America. Fewer of the European scholarships would be eliminated.

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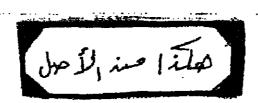
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# Preaming of a Jordanian Christmas

By Dina Matar

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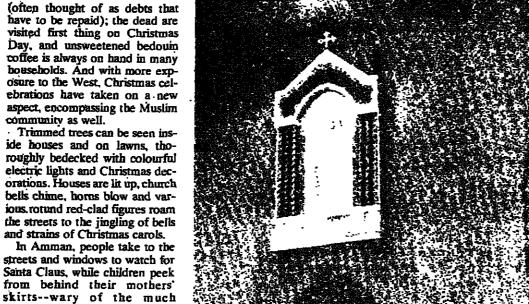
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ebrated these days very much as in West, the many people say. Yet, the old still reminisce about the past. One person who grew up in Bethlehem told the Jordan Times of those days:

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"But putting up the tree was one of the greatest pleasures of Christmas, It was a family affair.

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"On Christmas Eve. everybody used to take to the streets to watch for the patriarchal procession coming from Jerusalem. This was the highlight of Christmas, because the patriarchs of different sects would be officially received by a representative of the govemment. For us, the children, it was a great honour to get a glimpse of the much-revered pat-

"Our parents used to take us to the fields around Bethlehem, where the shepherds were supposed to have kept their vigil awaiting the arrival of Christ. There we used to eat a special kind of food called Al Zarb."

"A fire is first built inside the earth and under piles of stone," he explained. "Then, meat is cooked there, roasting and smoking at the

And, although the Church of Nativity would be packed with people from all over the world, we used to go there, fighting our way in, and sing Christmas carols. Each sect sang in its own language - Latin, Arabic, Armenian, and Assyrian, all possible language combinations one could ever think of, but none interfering with the

went out into the streets to find vendors selling roasted chestnuts, and Halawat Al Maseeh (Sweets of Christ), a special kind of sweet covered with sesame seeds, that used to appear only on Christmas and disappear afterwards. Then we would go home, exchange gifts which were tokens of our love, sing Christmas carols around the tree, play a few games, then go to

"On Christmas Day, we would go to mass again, and exchange visits. We, the children, used to don our new clothes and compare then we used to go and play, while mented. our parents visited.

Now, everything is different. I still go to mass, but it has become lonely in a way, because people are so engrossed in their own problems that you do not feel at one with anyone anymore," he said.

In place of Al Zarb, many people now roast turkey for Christmas dinner -- a thoroughly Western type of Christmas food - and Christmas cakes have taken the place of Halawat Al Maseeh.

Mrs. Helen Muallem, a housewife of Lebanese origin, told the Jordan Times that when she first came to Jordan some 15 years ago,

she brought some Christmas tra-"After Christmas Eve mass, we ditions to her neighbourhood in

> "I started inviting our neighbours, most of whom are Musims, to a Christmas dinner at our house," she said. "And we got into the habit of exchanging gifts, and greetings. Now, my Muslim neighbours and friends look forward to Christmas more eagerly than I

For me, Christmas means a lot. because it is a season of loving, giving and forgiving, and it heralds the end of a year and the beginning of a new one. But it has become more of a social than a them with those of our friends, religious celebration," she com-

### Less significant?

Mrs. Muallem added that now that people are more concerned with the material side of life, Christmas has lost some of its religious significance. "However, it is still enjoyable," she said, "because during Christmas, we always look forward to a better and richer world in every possible way."

But for the young, it does seem as if Christmas is less important religiously, and although churches which are usually empty on Sundays - are packed to overflowing on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, the young generation does not seem to be very much bot-

hered with it all. Says Miss Naifeh Zumot, "Christmas is just another day: it does

not mean much to me." Many others share Miss Zumot's opinion, and many told the Jordan Times that they just go to Christmas mass as "a tradition.

rather than a religious activity. These are words that would make their elders scowl, and throw up their hands in despair. probably thinking, "My God,

what is the world coming to?" But Msgr. Raouf Najjar, head of the Roman Catholic Church in Jordan, said that although people's attitudes have been changing, Christmas "still means a lot to many.

"The Church calls upon Christians to celebrate the birth of the Saviour," he said. "It is a great day because the glory of the Lord was revealed to save the flesh from all

"Christ had a purpose in coming. He veiled his glory in the crib so that he would win the hearts of humans through love. He was born among the lowly to establish Christian charity, he said.

"And this is the real essence of Christmas, charity and love.

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y Dominic Asquith

DO NOT help an undoped country by keeping it eveloped;" says Dr. Muriel "- bead of the Catholic Relrvices (CRS) office in n. "You need to train the and provide them with the ucture to look after thes." Doubtless, strong voissent would be heard in the rs of many government pents,

American organisation, aces its roots to the Second War and the need to relthose in the displacedcamps after that conflict. ganisation's rationale has from simply providing nce food and emergency to attempting to raise the and economic status of the among whom it works: and w means people in 70 cou-

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one characteristic was I by it persistent absence rt of missionary activity. f," rather than "Catholic." matter of policy, the opetenet in the organisation's. Uphy. But even if that were case, the quantity of work e standards set by CRS ember Jordan staff would time in the day for cat-

works in close cooperation e Ministry of Social Devnt, and the projects on : is engaged throughout the are often the result of sugs submitted to the minsead office by its regional is. It is no surprise, thethat CRS programmes are rated in rural areas. One sim is to stem the flow of il population to the urban by encouraging people to their land.

of the main programmes as undertaken since 1977, entral and southern regions lan, involves a three-part for mothers in nutritional on and child welfare, from

which some 1,200 families have benefited. CRS prepared a 15page booklet giving information and advice on the subject. But more importantly, the mothers are expected to turn up for one hour in the afternoon, twice a week, to be taught how to balance their own and their family's diet, how to preserve sanitary conditions, the rudiments of child welfare and first

Those who conduct these courses are teachers recruited from the local schools. They are introduced to the subjects by qualified nutritionists, social workers and child welfare specialists; and then are left, with a stipend, to pass on the knowledge acquired.

Most of the women who attend these courses have to come in to class from work in the fields. As incentive, it is frequently necessary to compensate them for their lost hours. CRS provides lentils, flour, skimmed milk and cooking oil (the last two being con-tributed by the European Economic Community). The Ministry of Social Development is responsible for distribution.

### Schooling in Safi

Ghor Al Safi is a town set where the Dead Sea shades from deep blue to brilliant turquoise, and in the middle of green fields where the season's first tomatoes habitually ripen (down to which the oryx is still believed to wander on its nocturnal browsing for forage). With this lovely environment, its population of 3,000 might be exp-

ected to want nothing.

The standard of housing, however, quickly forces one to reconsider. Safi is one of seven villages in the lower Ghor area involved in CRS nutritional education programme. The 40 women who are in the middle of the second phase of the course here were seen learning how to preserve their tomatoes for three or four months by pickling them in plastic containers, rather than cutting them open and letting the dust so tle, as they had been doing until

Previously, too, villagers had scooped their drinking water from the irrigation channels, for the water pipes did not service all of Safi. Now they were growing accustomed to boiling their drinking water, and were being shown how to make nourishing vegetable

There was clearly a distinct shortage of recreational facilities, no library, no electricity and no typing courses. The last may sound an incongruous note following the absence of more basic requirements; but it was something apparently much in demand.

CRS was in the process of drawing up a proposal to establish a sewing and knitting class, for which the women of the village displayed great enthusiasm. A mother, clothed in the traditional embroidered dress, left smiling broadly when she was told that her deaf child would be able to attend these classes as soon as they started. When absentee landlords take half of the crop price and the average income is JD 40 a month, what might seem small compensations become of enormous significance.

One can never go for long in Jordan without hearing about the need for water projects, and since 1978 CRS has helped extend water pipes to some 35 villages. The villages themselves pay, according to their means, between 25 and 40 per cent of the costs of the pipes (calculated at ID 1 a metre). CRS pays the rest, although the labour and technical assistance are provided by the Water Supply Corporation.
Thakret Al Jub, on the outskirts

of Mafraq, was taking its water from a source 5.5 kilometres to the west; but by the time intermediate villages had drawn off their share, there was not enough left. An alternative water source has been found 8.5 kilometres in the other direction, with no one to siphon it off on the way. CRS is paying 65 per cent of the cost of laying a three-kilometre pipe to bring in the water.

There are areas around Mafraq littered with the basalt remains of old Roman reservoirs. At Umm Sirab. CRS has renovated one such reservoir (as it has already done to three, and is in the process of doing to a fourth, elsewhere). With a capacity of 3,500 cubic metres, the reservoir will provide water for the village's agricultural

### Sought-after seedlings

The most noticeable, however, of all the projects undertaken by CRS — and because its results are so tangible, tending to overshadow the organisation's less glamorous work -- concerns olive

Begun six years ago, the plan involves buying olive seedlings of the Nabali type from Nablus, whose oil yield is usually higher than 25 per cent of the crop's weight. Farmers lodge requests at local offices of the Ministry of Social Development, which in turn informs CRS of the numbers nee-

There was a problem at the start in convincing the farmers that such a project was feasible. especially in the area of poor farm land. Now. however, in the words of one of the officials is at the Mafraq social development office, "instead of running after the farmers, the farmers run after us."

CRS has distributed over 90,000 seedlings in 1979 and 1980, and estimates another 50,000 in 1981. Over 1,000 farmers have benefited from the project in each year, and the success rate of the trees make them so popular that the organisation has had to set a limit of 50 seedlings to each farmer. Besides sup-plementing their incomes, the olive project has seemed to develop an interest in farming among communities that previously might have thought the possibilities were limited.

Running through all the work that CRS does is the belief that one does not bring a community to develop its own services if one gives things away free. By contributing financially to the programmes going on their areas, the communities have a greater incentive to make them successful.



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### Christmas shopping guide: gifts for children

# 'Christmas is for kids'

By Suzanne Zu'mut - Black

THERE WILL always be a place in children's Christmas stockings for traditional goodies like Monopoly, dolls and Wild West outfits. But today's child is a fairly sophisticated animal, who is equally at home with electronic gadgetry and science fiction. The wide range of children's gifts available in Amman reflects an expanding awareness of the young set's

An educational toy is always a good idea (at least from the parent's viewpoint), and toy shops in town cater for all ages. The Child Guidance trademark has a wide selection for ages one to seven, and prices vary from JD 1.500 up to JD 2.650 for construction kits.

Gabriel trademark concentrates, however, on an age range from 10 years upwards. One Gabriel chemistry kit with 50 projects costs only JD 6.850, while another -- with 1,000 projects -shoots up to JD 23.850.

Another interesting item for the young man or woman is an "analysis kit" comprising microscope and geological and chemical specimens, at a price of JD 12.850. The widest selection in this range is found at the Sports and Activities Centre in Wadi Sagra Str-

For the young letter-writer with a particular interest in elegance, a set of letter pads with matching envelopes can always be a welcome gift. These can be found at most book shops, with a particularly smart selection at the new Hallmark shop in Jabal Luweibdeh, across from the French Cultural Centre, at JD 2.450.

For the sophisticated young Miss, the world of Cindy dolls and the wide range of accessories that goes with them can be a source of endless pleasure. They are found in different toy shops, and the dolls themselves come for JD 2-5.500. A variety of dresses start at JD

star each Christmas as they kneel before the altar.

0.750, while other items such as beds, accessory sets, spring cleaning sets, wardrobes and baths can meet different budgets, with prices ranging between JD 3.500 and JD 6.650.

Another sophisticated present, for the young lady over eight years old, is a battery-operated sewing machine with a working light and a foot pedal, which actually sews. It works manually too, and has full instructions. Priced at JD 8.500 or JD 9.250, depending on size, these are found at Firas Book Shop, near the Ministry of Tourism in Jabal Amman.

### Drums and diaries

If your kid has been pestering you for a set of drums that may cost the earth, Twang Music Shop in the New Insurance Building, off Third Circle, has come up with what might be your way out. The shop itself has assembled a set comprising one drum with stand, a large cymbal and stand, a chair and, of course, drumsticks for JD 100 -- very reasonable compared to the usually sky-high prices for

The shop also offers a very wide range of acoustic and electric guitars from 15 manufacturers, starting at JD 19 and going up to JD

For the quieter child, who keeps a diary or who might, very attractive examples are sold from JD 2.500 up to at prices ranging generally 6.500. Memories can also be kept in photograph albums, specially for children, at JD 0.350 up to JD 2, from Salbashian in Wadi Sagra Street.

Children's books specially for Christmas are available at the Amman Book shop off Third Circle. Richard Scurry's book, The Animals' Merry Christmas, with 21 stories, can capture the imagination of children up to seven years old. The Sweet Smell of Christmas is also intriguing, with its fragrant labels for younger chipriced at JD 2.

Also available at the same shop is The Story of Christmas, with its own advent calendar, at JD 1.500. Included in the wide range of general children's books is the Dr. Seuss series, at JD 1 each.

A different kind of book to give would be the Christmas Carols Music Book for piano, organ and guitar, offered for JD 2.250 at the Twang Music Shop.

A present suitable for one or more children is a recorded video tape of one of the many subjects that fascinate them (if you have a video machine, that is). A cartoon

tape will definitely make up for its price with the endless number of times it may be viewed, as would many stories and characters such as Alice in Wonderland, Aladdin. Ali Baba, Bugs Bunny, The Muppet Show and even Bruce Lee. All of these may be found at the Rainbow Video Centre, which is the distributor of most of the video

8, depending on type and length. Walt Disney is represented in many shops by the Gabriel line of small, intricately modelled, fle- Cinema downtown,

titles in Amman. Recorded tapes

cost between JD 10 and 15, while

blanks vary from JD 4.250 to JD

xible rubber cartoon characters which sell for from JD 0.600 to JD

Another series that can be very popular with children, both boys and girls, between four and 12 is the Play Mobile, which consists of different kinds of items that can be gathered to form a collection. The sets come with special crayons to colour the characters, the animals and all the equipment, which includes a large castle. Prices of pieces range from JD 2.500 to JD 20. and they are found at Dunia Al Ala'b, across from the Zahran

ugh the adventurous young lady may join in), is the Star Wars collection by Kenner, reproducing the action figures and models from the vastly popular movie. A large variety of kits, including jigsaw puzzles, figures such as the adorable R2-D2 and a number of games, range in price from JD 1.600 to JD 4. All are available at the Sports and Activity Centre in Wadi Sagra Street.

More for the young man (tho-

A small present such as Plasticine or modelling clay is always welcomed by young children. Dunia Al Ala b has very high quality material, which does not stain or stick to the hands for from JD 5 to 8. A fad from the United States is similar to Plasticine but made from a rubbery material. It can be not only moulded and stretched, but if made into a ball has a lively bounce. Appropriately named Silly Putty, it is sold at Firas Book Shop at JD 0.500 for a small piece.

her an almost real live doll, Baby by-step manual is included, along with one motor to fit any of the Only slightly smaller than life size, the doll performs the human functions of eating, drinking and even wetting her diaper. Complete with carry cot and feeding chair, Baby Alive is priced at JD 16, and is recommended for the threeyear-old.

To keep the peace and quiet at home and in the surroundings, a portable mini-hi fi cassette player and moods at the Amman Boowith very light headphones can be kshop is priced at JD 1.500 each an ideal and thrilling present for while a Hallmark collection of the teenager. Carried by a shoulder strap or hung from the belt. it can also be suitable as a present for two, since two headphones can be plugged into any model. Sony's Walkman at JD 64 is little bigger than a cassette tape, and very light. It is found at the Sony shop on Rainbow Street.

For the practically-minded young man, seven years and over,

models built. Four different tizes of sets, offering between 45 and 69 models, range in price between JD 7.500 and JD 22, and can be found at toy stores.

A reasonably priced and astrally exciting present for any youngster is a poster or a print. A vast and interesting collection of all sizes ges in price between JD 1.500 and JD 1.950.

A comprehensive collection of Muppet Show characters in different shapes and sizes provides a wide range for varying ages, tastes and budgets. This Fisher Price collection includes stick puppers at JD 2.500, hand puppers at ID a motorised Meccano set can whet 7.650 and big dolls from JD his mechanical appetite. A step- 10.850 to JD 13.850

## For the impatient young "mot-Service of charity in Gilead hills

By Dominic Asquith

QAL'AT AL RABADH stands over Ajloun scarred by time but still proud. Its towers survey on the slopes below the immaculate silver olive orchards, much as they must have done eight centuries ago, when still new. A beacon's distance across the Jordan Valley, the Horns of Hattin rise out of the haze: bringing to mind the fateful struggle long ago between the Crusaders and the Ayyubid rulers

In the dappled shade of a pine grove, whose resin scented branches gently stir in the light breeze, it would be hard to catch the reverberations of battles fought long ago. Unless, of course, like some of the doctors at the Southern Baptist hospital above Ajloun, one had lived and worked in these hills over the last two decades and a half. In that time, the Holy Land has been twice fought over, and the clash of arms has been heard in the neighbouring forests, as well.

The hospital, although caught in

tending over 80 soldiers from the Jordanian army, casualties of the battles of July 1971. Still kept on the hospital files is a letter from the then chief of staff, expressing his gratitude to the doctors and nurses for their medical skill and

the mountains of Gilead ever since an independent English doctor by the name of MacLean established a 25-bed admission hospital. However, by the early 1950s, Dr. MacLean, whose green-walled house still stands in the old compound, was ready to hand over his work to someone else. "The Southern Baptists were looking for work in the Arab World at that time", Dr. August Lovegrin, who first came to the hospital in May 1954, told the Jordan Times; and so they agreed in 1952 to take over the institution. Then it amounted to little more than a simple clinic and pharmacy, with an operating theatre but nothing as advanced as X-ray equipment.

There has been a hospital here

With the establishment in 1952 of a nursing school, the hospital ldren to scratch and sniff. Each is the cross-fire, was responsible for was soon enlarged to 50 beds. The nursing school, which offered a three-year course, required its graduates to take a government examination in order to become registered as professional nurses.

"About 100 students graduated from the school over its 26 years of existence" said Dr. John Roper, another old hand at the hospital, who arrived there in 1957 after short periods in Beirut and then in the Baptist hospital at Gaza." The school continued until three years ago, when it had to be closed down because of an inadequate number

of acceptable students. "Families prefer their daughters to become teachers rather than nurses." Dr. Roper said. "But those who graduated are now working in 14 countries, including the United States, Canada and Australia. Some bave stayed on at the hospital for 25 years; some others went into the army here, and have become officers in the medical corps."

The present hospital, which was opened in 1974, has a capacity of 50 beds (although only 30 are kept operational), distributed among semi-private rooms in four and two bed units. Every year some 2,200 in-patients benefit from

these medical facilities at a nominal charge, agreed between the government and the hospital authorities. When one recent visitor called at the hospital, the inpatients ranged from a man suffering from heart trouble to a woman with chronic arthritis, to a

baby being fed intravenously. Elsewhere in the hospital were a room equipped for conversion into an intensive care unit; a maternity ward; two operating theatres (with a recovery room), and an emergency section to which patients could be brought after clinic hours. There was also a laboratory which runs, at Dr. Lovegrin's estimation. 90 per cent of the same tests which can be done at the King Hussein Medical Cen-

### Ob. gyn. specialisation

As a result of such developments, the Ajloun hospital has tended to concentrate more on obstetrics and gynaecology (ob. gyn.), being visited weekly by neurology and ob. gyn. specialists from Amman.

Hand-in-hand with the steady spread of education in Jordan has come female patients greater acc-

eptance of treatment by male phy- coffee-grounds or tooth-paste. As sicians. With the wider education of the husbands, in particular, and with a greater awareness of what is available, the idea of practising some form of birth-control is also better accepted, with contraceptives (sometimes the pill. sometimes an intra-uterine device) being issued by the hospital

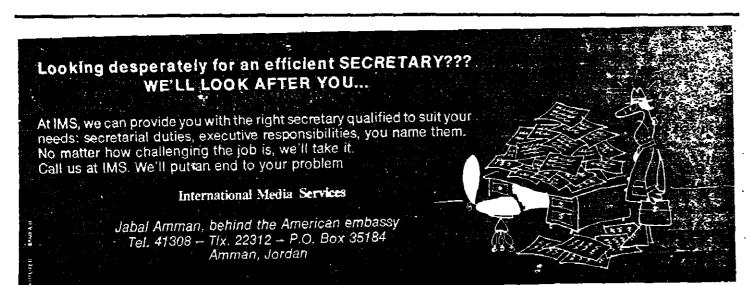
when requested. The total number of outpatients treated by the hospital is estimated at around 16,000 a year. The four doctors work from three consulting rooms. Dr. Lovegrin, sitting behind a humble desk during a recent working day carefully extracted, in Arabic, the information he needed from those who came to see him: the symptoms of an ill child or the state of health of a woman with galistones, accompanied by her husband. Many afflictions are seasonal -diarrhoea in summer, respiratory troubles in winter. The popular switch to buta-gas cookstoves has meant a dramatic decline in the incidence of severe burns among children (still apparently a scourge in the south), which used to be treated at home by the application

a tourist resort, Ajloun also has more than its fair share of those who become motor-car victims on their Friday outings.

If one were to arrive at 10:30 in the morning, the chances are that one would find some of the doctors and the 20 nurses attending a 15-minute chapel service in the basement, singing hymns to piano accompaniment and listening to readings from the Bible. But as Dr. Lovegrin is quick to establish the hospital is far from being a proselytising institution, which he recognises as being illegal. The manifestations of Christianity are merely to cater for the religious needs of the staff, who naturally wish to pursue their own beliefs There are now Baptist churches in both Ajloun and Anjara, and the first girls' school at Ajloun was established by the Baptists. Twenty-two teachers now have about 250 students, from kindergarten age to nine years old. What growth there has been in the Baptist community over the past generation has arisen from what might best be described as a voluntary assimilation of Christian of such primitive medicaments as beliefs, beginning at school age.

### Altar of birthplace of Jesus, Bethlehem, Jordan.





## Christmas shopping guide: gifts for men

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By Suzanne Zu\*mut-Black

FATHERS, husbands, sons and uncles usually end Christmas with an assortment of shirts which don't fit, neckties that don't match, and aftershave lotions they don't have the nerve to use. It doesn't, however, take too much imagination to vary the male Christmas fare, and leave the men in your life both satisfied with your practicality and happy with your initiative. To get that imagination going, a few hints

1. Leather craft, for one thing, seems to be a favourite with men. It appears to strike a responsive chord in the male psyche -- with a subtle hint of the macho.

At the Leather Gift Shop just off Rainbow Street (near the police station), there are products from Austria, Spain, Denmark, England. the United States and the Far East, with names like Pierre Cardin, Givenchy, Inter Leather and Le Tenner to satisfy even the most snobbish. More than 100 models of cowhide and crocodile wallets and credit cards holders are on display, ranging in price from JD 5 to JD 58. A wide selection of well-crafted belts includes a useful and elegant item with a zippered pocket in the reverse for money.

2. Another, less personal leather item can be chosen from a range of Thai desk accessories, each bearing a brass crocodile, which can be bought as a set or individually. All are available at Bits and Pieces, near Babiche in Jabal Hussein; and offer the choice of paperand-pen holders at JD 10, pin boxes for JD 3, ashtrays for JD 10, picture frames at JD 10, cigarette boxes at JD 8 and a large leather desk folder for JD 15.

3. Or give him a stylish Courreges bathrobe, in which he can also parade proudly at the pool. Ghalia Centre in Shmeisani is the agent for this French brand, and offers a varied collection of these towel robes, in white, mustard and blue, mostly striped and full-length. They come in three sizes, with prices ranging between JD 50 and JD

4. For the music lover -- or if you want to convey a message in music - why not a record or a tape of your own choice? Odds Records in Jabal Luweibdeh, near the Friends of the Children Society, offers to record anything for you. The store has a selection of jazz tapes unusual in Amman, besides a wide-ranging collection of rock music and a good choice of Arabic music. And appropriately, it is equipped with 10 hours of Christmas carols, including singers like Elvis Presley, Nana Mouskouri, Andy Williams and Mirielle Mathieu. One hour of recording will cost JD 1.250 on cassette, JD 1.500 on car-

tridge, and JD 2 on reel-to-reel, excluding the cost of the tape. For a classical music enthusiast, the Amman Bookshop, near Third Circle in Jabal Amman, offers a large range of original cassette recordings at JD 3 each.

5. A desk diary will always come in handy this time of the year. One made by Letts of London specially for the Middle East, in both Arabic and English, includes the Muslim Hijra calendar. It also contains useful information about the area, times around the world and air distances. Priced at JD 5.250, with a pure leather version at JD 15, the diaries can be found at the University Bookshop in Jabal

A combined pocket calendar/address book/notebook, with accompanying ball pen and space for banknotes, comes in pure leather for JD 14 at the Leather Gift Shop off Rainbow Street.

6. If he needs a set of pens, there is a wide range of makes and prices to choose from. The Parker agents in Jabal Luweibdeh, near the French Cultural Centre, offer sets of fountain and ball pens ranging in price from JD 3 up to JD 500 -- the price of a solid gold set. The Amman Bookshop offers 72 models of the Elysee, a new

name in elegant pens-either fountain or ballpoint-starting at ID 8.750 and going up to JD 124.

7. A practical gift for a man in any walk of life would be a pocket calculator, available at most electronics stores. Prices vary roughly between JD 5 and JD 55, depending on the complexity of the services the little brain offers.

8. He might greatly appreciate a genuine antique lithographed picture or map if a collector, or even if only an admirer, of this art form. The Gallery at the Jordan Intercontinental Hotel offers a comprehensive collection of prints depicting places of interest in the Middle East. Some date back to the 18th century, but most belong to the 19th. These works, mainly by British artists and travellers, varying cost between JD 12 and JD 220.

### Books and more books

9. One can never have too many books; and the choice in Amman's surprisingly wide. The Caravan hardcover series on the Middle East. containing works mainly by American University of Beirut professors, is available at the Firas Bookshop, near the Ministry of Tourism. Titles include The Struggle for Arab Independence, Syra under Islam, Islam in English Literature, Bitter Harvest and an interesting 1980 publication: The Nairn Way - Desert Bus to Baghdad, with captivating illustrations by Penny Williams. Prices range between JD 4.250 and JD 5.

Another absorbing series, for JD 1.250 each, is the Russian it erary collection in hard cover, from the Jordan Distribution Agency, situated downtown at the foot of the steep road to the First Circle. Authors include Chekov, Tolstoy and Gorki.

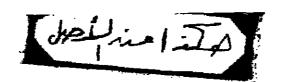
10. Another type of book that will definitely contribute to a bright Christmas is the illustrated art collection. There is, for instance, a wide selection of hard covers from Phaidon at JD 5.950, and from Hamlyn at JD 4,950. The series cover more than 30 individual artists as well as schools of painting in both the modern and classic idion. The editions are of superb quality, and have eye-catching dust cor-

Much smaller, but equally attractive, is the Mentor, UNESCO at book series. At JD 0.650 they offer a big selection, which includes Japanese, Turkish, Austrian, Greek and Byzantine art. The books boast excellent reproductions and high quality printing.

11. At various photo shops and studios, you can not only buy from #1 interesting range of photo frames but also have your man's most treasured picture blown up to the correct size for it. Frames of various sizes and shapes come in plastic, aluminium, silver and gold finishes, from JD 2.500 to JD 14. Adhesive picture blocks are also available. at JD 1.100 or JD 1.600.

12. For the avid photographer, a present can range from a very base lens blower-brush at JD 1.500, through a host of accessories, to the camera itself. The least expensive camera will be around JD 3.500but from then on the sky is the limit. Salbashian in Wadi Saqra Street has a wide range of accessories and carry quality cameras from Minolta, Konica and Pentax, whose dealerships the shop holds. Also available are less expensive models, from Vivitar and Helena.

13. An exotic present might come in the form of the "holy beads", of masbaha as they are known in Arabic. More familiarly known towesterners as "worry beads", they are made in an astonishing range: of sizes and materials. Abu George, at the House of Old Arts near the Abdali police station, offers a fine and extensive selection in again, amber, carnelian, silver, ivory and black coral inlaid with silver pinpoints. Prices start at JD 10 and go up to JD 50.



## he La Grange Declaration

# call for peace

By Samira Kawar

ARAB Christian churches have an important role to play in ming world public opinion of the justice of the Palestinian; through maintaining active contacts with other churches ad, and urging their clergy and congregations to work to so injustice. The assistant bishop of the Arab Evangelical opal Church in Jordan and the Near East, the Rev. Eliant total the Leadan Times in an intermination that he are the contact that the second contact in the second contact the seco ry, told the Jordan Times in an interview that he strongly

 Khoury was commenting on a declaration issued by a rence attended by representatives of several U.S. churches in range, Illinois, in May 1981 calling for just peace in the le East based on the recognition of Palestinian rights. He said

e felt encouraged by such "Christian voices."
t lest, we hear a universal Christian voice speaking about the fee inflicted by Israel on the Palestinian people," Rev. Kho-

pointed out that such voices were important because Israel sen greatly helped "by Western powers on the strength of interpretations of Old Testament prophecies by fun-italist Christians, who were absolutely blinded by Zionist

. Khoury expressed optimism that new voices in the Chrworld are beginning to emerge, and are spreading the awa-: that "peace can never be achieved in the Holy Land unless st aggression in Jerusalem and the Holy Land is redressed gh recognition of the national rights and aspirations of the

inian people."
said that the Palestinian people's yearning for their own reign, democratic, non-sectatian state" could not be oveed by the Christian world any longer.

e full text of the 1981 La Grange Declaration is reproduced along with an introductory statement and an earlier decon concerning the historical and biblical background of the le East conflict.

IAY of 1981 a conference was held in La Grange, Illinois ed, "Toward Biblical Foundations for a Just Peace in the Holy Among other actions, this conference prepared a statement "La Grange Declaration II: A Christian Call for Justice and in the Holy Land." This statement provides an action-oriented to the first La Grange Declaration, a statement spawned by a r conference in May of 1979. Included in this publication are locuments, LaGrange I and II, along with a listing of initial s of the second LaGrange Declaration. The signers include an :nical group of Christians -- evangelical, mainline Protestant, n Catholic and Orthodox.

commend this paper to you for your study. LaGrange I proa theological perspective on the turmoil in the Middle East, and ange II follows this up with a "Call to Commitment." If, after a of the documents you wish to sign La Grange II, please send name to Rev. Donald Wagner, 202 S. State, Room 624, Chi-IL. 60604. Additionally, LaGrange II organisers are seeking to sile 10,000 signatures by December of this year, so if you would : this declaration with your friends and colleagues and ask for support, you would greatly help this effort.

### 1 Grange Declaration I

alievers committed to Christ and his kingdom, we challenge the lar assumptions about biblical interpretation and the presitions of political loyalty held so widely by fellow Christians in

attitudes toward the conflict in the Middle East. address this urgent call to the church of Jesus Christ to hear and those voices crying out as bruised reeds for justice in the land our Lord walked, taught, was crucified and rose from the We have closed our hearts to these voices and isolated oureven from the pleading of fellow Christians who continue to that land.

are anguished by the fact that countless Christians believe that ible gives to the modern state of Israel a divine right, divine on to the state of Israel's policy of territorial acquisition. We e such an understanding must be judged in light of the whole of al revelation affirming that in the revelation of Jesus Christ covenants find their completion. Therefore, we plead for all tians to construct a vision of peace in the Holy Land which rests biblical injunctions to correct oppression and seek justice for

thrightly, we declare our conviction that in the process of lishing the state of Israel. A deep injustice was done to the inian people. Confiscating their land and driving many into and even death. We are further grieved by the ongoing depon of basic civil rights to those Arabs who live today in the state

teover, for 13 years large portions of the Holy Land and its ; including the West Bank of the Jordan River, Gaza, and East lem, have suffered under foreign military occupation, even as Lord's time. Land is seized from its inhabitants. Water for ig is rationed and restricted. Schools and universities are closed Israeli military authorities. And 100,000 people have been ad, in large part for speaking their convictions. Of these, some een subjected to brutal torture, described by the U.S. Conin Jerusalem as "systematic" and documented beyond any

confess our silence, our indifference, our hardheartedness, and awardice, all too often, in the face of these dehumanising

nestly, we pray for a new anointing of the Spirit in our hearts, ig us into a more faithful people used to break every yoke of ssion and let the broken victims go free.

extend our hearts to our Jewish brothers and sisters, common nd daughters of Abraham. Like us in the United States, their ate national spirit is being corroded by the weight of their unent's reliance on rampant militaristic policies and actions. ould pray for them, and with them, for a vision of security in expanding channels of trust rather than escalating arsenals

orically and today, the state of Israel's territorial ambitions een justified as security needs. Through the decades, this has ted a cycle of violence and counterviolence that still continues, ng all sides, and leaving none unblemished from the spilling of nt blood. We pray with the Psalmist for every bow to be and very spear to be snapped.

many of us have been hilled into the shallow hope that peace built in the Middle East through the U.S. supply of more 15, with the continued military occupation of the West Bank. and East Jerusalem, and while basic human and political rights Palestinian people are denied. We call on Christ's followers to from their complicity - through either their indifference or acritical embrace of U.S. policies - in the continuing cycle of Eastern violence, accelerated by our tax dollars and our ment's political decisions.

Arab people and their land have been plundered for centuries stern Christendom. We acknowledge and confess a continuing of prejudice evidenced today toward Arab people, both Chr-

repudiate with equal and uncompromising fervour the endrejudice toward the Jewish people still present this day in our and in our churches (those churches include, ironically, many e churches with staunchly pro-Israel biases, drawn from their is of biblical interpretation).

rooming these divisions and hatreds, we affirm, as God's revdeclares, our common humanity with all.

believe that any biblical hope for peace and security for all s in the Middle East must encompass some form of restitution

for past wrongs. Life, peoplehood, and land are all God's gifts. These gifts enjoyed by the Jewish people of Israel have been denied to the Palestinian people. Therefore, we yearn and we call for the building of a peace that includes the clear expression of political selfdetermination and justice for the Palestinian people. This includes leadership of their own choosing and a sovereign state. Our firm conviction is that through asserting these rights the way can be opened for Israeli people and Palestinian people to find peace and true security in that land.

### La Grange Declaration II

We are American Christians seeking to serve the cause of peace in the Middle East. We have heard the agonized cries of Palestinians -Christian and Muslim - who have been driven from their ancestral homes and/or deprived of their fundamental rights. We have heard from Jews of the fear which grips their hearts and the vision which inspires their hope. We have listened to the accounts of trial endured by the Christians of the holy land, whose churches have existed from the time of Christ. And with these laments in our ears, we have struggled to hear the word of God for this situation so that the church of Jesus Christ may fulfill its calling to be an agent of justice and a bearer of peace.

In our quest, we are not striving to solve directly the public political questions of nation states, but rather to address fundamental human and religious concerns which affect the peoples of the Middle East

### I. Questions . Questions for the American church

In our struggle to hear, discern, and to act, we have raised these

A. We question biblically the vision of nationalism and statehood limited to any particular people as the means for building a durable and just peace in the holy land. We long, rather, for the vision of land and peoplehood secured for both Israeli people and Palestinian people in the holy land.

B. We question how Christians can believe that the Old Testament gives to the modern state of Israel divine and unconditional ownership of the land of Palestine, to the exclusion of the indigenous people. We believe that an honest, open, and comprehensive understanding of the Bible prohibits these claims and raises the priority of God's justice for all people as the means to nourish the hope of reconciliation between Israeli and Palestinian.

C. We have also come to question a United States foreign policy which restricts Palestinians from travelling to, speaking freely within, and remaining in the United States, limiting the opportunity of free expression of opinion to the American people; a foreign policy which directs 43 per cent of its foreign aid to the nation of Israel; and a foreign policy which refuses even to speak with representatives of the Palestinian people.

### II. Our commitments

Recognizing that our confession and faith must be grounded in our lifestyles, we invite others to join us in the following commitments.

A. Hearing the cries of the people involved in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict we are called to pray daily for all our brothers and sisters who struggle in the Middle East.

B. Realizing the ned for greater awareness and understanding of the current situation in Israel and Palestine, we will strive to make balanced information available to local media and the members of our communities and church families.

C. Recognizing that there can be no security and therefore no fre-

edom for Jews, Christians, and Muslims in Israel or Palestine so long as people are afraid, we commit ourselves to working to overcome all

1. Specifically, we pledge to root out any and all signs of anti-Semitism in our own lives, our culture, and our society.

2. We pledge to respond to any and all invitations from our Jewish and Palestinian brothers and sisters which will help us understand

D. Confessing our share in the historical heritage which culminated in the holocaust and sent refugee Jews to Palestine rather than providing them with safe and secure homes in Europe and the Americas, we are called to shoulder our fair burden in building a just

1. Specifically, we pledge to use our persuasive powers to convince all parties to adopt nonviolent strategies to resolve their conflicts; 2. We pledge to lift up and denounce all forms of violence whether covert military operations, overt military manoeuvers, or illegal seizures of property and intimidation of persons;

3. We pledge, if invited, to find U.S. Christians willing to serve as peacemakers and agents of reconciliation in Israel and Palestine.

E. Recognizing United States complicity in the suffering of the Middle East, we are called to regularly contact our legislators and State Department officials, urging them to cease military aid and to equalize humanitarian aid to the Palestinian and Israeli peoples.

 Specifically, we are called to persistently work to urge the U.S. government to curtail subsidies to the government of Israel until Israel ceases all illegal seizures of property, establishment of set-tlements on Palestinian lands, and expulsion of Palestinians...

### III. Our call to the American Christian church

Recognizing our responsibility in the body of Christ, we are called to unceasing efforts within our local and denominational church communities on behalf of justice, reconciliation, and peace in the holy land. Therefore, we ask, hope, and pray that the churches in our own land will commit themselves to these goals.

A. To inform and educate their people of the historical roots of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, including the anguish of Palestinian dispossession of home, land, and rights, and the depth of Jewish hopes and fears. To this end, we urge the publishing in periodicals, the teaching in colleges and seminaries, and the instruction throughout the denominations of these facts and realities.

B. To make real our communion with the Christian congregations in the holy land today as the body of Christ suffering under oppression. To this end we urge individuals and congregations to establish links with families and religious communities in the holy land today, to: make concrete this unity, to nurture faithful discipleship, and to further the ministry of justice and reconciliation.

C. To encourage dialogue with other Christians as well as Jews and others concerning the priorities of peace in the holy land. To this end, we hope that Palestinians will be encouraged to share their experiences which so often have not been heard with specific Christian congregations in the United States, and that churches might offer themselves as the local arena of reconciliation between the opposing factions in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

### Christmas shopping guide: gifts for women

## romise

By Meg Abu Hamdan

MEN... Are you stuck for gift ideas for your womenfolk this Christmas? Are you tired of doling out the inevitable bottle of perfume for your wife, the headscarf for your mother, money for that inscrutable, sophisticated grown-up daughter? Do you crave to give them something that will open their eyes wide with surprise, make them gasp with pleasure? If you answer yes to any or all of these questions, you might find the following ideas of some interest; and they may even help.

Buying for the woman with an adventurous spirit is not as difficult as one might imagine. A two-day camel trip up Wadi Rumm, for instance, should be enough to satisfy the most determined modern-day Marco Polo. Excluding travel to and from Wadi Rumm, but including all meals, accommodation (camping equipment in this case) and seven and a half hours on the back of a camel, it will cost you around ID 35 for one. Declared highly enjoyable by many who have been before, the excursion is organised by Ghattas Jordan, who can be contacted on telephone number 813972.

Along the same lines, but perhaps not so drastic, would be a year's membership in the Friends of Archaeology'. Once a month in winter, and two to three times a month in summer, this group organises expeditions to Jordan's many and varied archaeological sites. Once there an archaeologist, either one working on the site or sometimes American Centre of Oriental Research (ACOR) Director David McCreery, will take the party on an informative guided

Trips already planned for the early months of 1982 include a visit to the important Early Bronze Age site of Bab Al Dhra' and one to one of the ancient cities of the Roman Decapolis, Pella in the Jordan Valley. This is in addition to lectures and other exciting act-

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(Answers on Thursday/Friday's Jordan Times)

ivities. Application forms can be obtained from either Dr. Adrianna Hopper on 43489, or from Dr. McCreery at ACOR, Tel. 814917. An annual membership costs only JD 3 a person, or JD 5 for a family.

Perhaps those ideas are a little too unusual, and all you were really looking for was a bottle of perfume or the like after all. If so, even that can be made more exciting. Dajani's International Pharmacy in Shmeisani is selling for JD 20, attractive pendants which open to reveal and exude the fragrance of Estee Lauder's solid perfume - called, appropriately, "Treasure of the Orient". Or how about a gold-plated — yes, gold-plated — bottle of perfume? That's how "Or D'or" eau de toi-

lette by Morabito comes, for JD If perfume doesn't appeal there is always that other good old standby Jewelry. Dajan?s have a large selection of the latest in fashionable jewelry, including hea-dbands which encircle the forehead, American Indian fashion. Complete with tinkling bells and gold thread, it costs JD 4, and they are going fast.

### The real thing

But the real thing in jewelry is not only often more appreciated, it also appreciates (in value, that is). The "gold souq" downtown is full of tiny shops that sell all kinds of classical necklaces, bracelets and rings, to meet any budget Kalha, for one, sells a very attractive, long, gold twisted nec-klace intertwined with a white. gold thread for JD 200, and a matching bracelet for JD 56.

Perhaps a little more exciting, and ultimately of more value, would be a gift of some antique, traditional silver jewelry. 11 Afghani Gift Shop, situated opposite the theatre in Jabal Luweibdeh, sells the wonderful solid silver Circassian belts. Engraved with intricate floral designs and ornamented with studs of silver, these

pieces of art are often more than a century old, and sell for around JD 300. From the same shop one can buy a beautiful silver jewelry box, whose engraved Islamic design and calligraphy will delight any voman. Ōriginally made in Cairo 100 years ago, it will cost you around JD 250.

Chocolates - that last resort for uninspired givers - can be the first original idea this time, if they are the unusually delicious ones from Fa Sha, which is found on the Hawooz Circle in Jabal Luweibdeh. These Belgian delights cost JD 10 a kilo, which makes them rather expensive; but they are certainly fun to buy, as you get to try one or two! This newly opened boutique specialises in fine European china, and a pair of royal blue, traditionally patterned Delft candlesticks at JD 26 would make an unusual present. Unless of course you want to be more extravagant, and buy a whole 12-piece, gift-edged, Royal Wor-cester dinner service for JD

If you did that you would need to buy some nice crystal glasses to go with the set, and by that time you would probably want them to be very reasonable. Irfan, a comprehensive household gift shop off the Sixth Circle in Jabal Amman, fills the bill by selling some expensive-looking French cutglass wine goblets, at JD 7 for six.

But more and more people are turning back to locally and traditionally produced goods, and the "Flea Market" downtown is still a good place to pick up this kind of thing quite reasonably. In King Talal Street, opposite the vegetable market there are many stalls selling old and new brass pots of all sizes. A selection of six or seven of them, including small embossed buckets and frying pans, as well as larger pots, will set you back about the same amount in dinars, and once home and cleaned, they are quite decorative, as well as being useful.

Lovely, huge ceramic jars sta-nding a metre high and often more (JD 3) or with the gorgeous pinks of cyclamen (JD 3).

than 70 years old, can be obtained from the Jordan Handicrafts Development Centre, which uses them for flowers. The centre off Second Circle, is an Aladdin's Cave of gifts which many women would love to have - ranging from locally carved stone tortoises which hold flower pots for JD 25, to cushions made out of old pieces of fine traditional embroidery for JD 40, to small hand towels locally

embroidered with traditional des-

igns and camels, for JD 3 each. If supporting the local cra-fismen for Christmas appeals, then how about supporting Jordanian artists? A large selection of paintings, either of familiar Jordanian landscapes or by local artists, is available at The Gallery in the Jordan Intercontinental Hotel, For JD 150 there is Yasser Duweik's excellent impression of "Aqaba Beach", with the manycoloured boats pulled up along the shore reflecting the bright light; or for JD 100-250 you can get the real feeling of Jordanian life from Ali Jabri's gouache "Cafe" sce-

Also made in Jordan, and stamped to that effect, are all the goods at the Leather Shop found opposite the Holiday Inn. Tan purses (JD 3.250), dark green leather handbags, (JD 14), big beige suede floor cushions (JD 9), and much more, are made at the back of this small shop; and all make attractive presents.

### Bouquets and songbirds

Every woman loves to be given a big bunch of flowers; it is a gift idea that has never grown stale. Bouquet in Shmeisani always has the largest selection of the freshest flowers, so how about giving that special lady a huge bunch of orange lilies (JD 7.500) or a smaller one of the seemingly everlasting orchids (JD 10)? A potted plant also brings pleasure, and the festive season is best celebrated in the bright reds of the poinsettia

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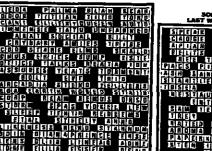
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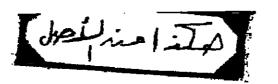
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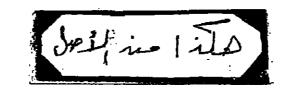
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Deputy Governor of Credit Lyonnais Hussein Qasem (left) listens to General Manager, International Division, Bernard Thiolon (middle) during a cocktail party inaugurating the opening of general representative office for the Middle East in Amman. Mr. Bruno Davezac, Middle East area director, looks on.



Director of the Jordanian News Agency (Petra) Yousef Abu Lail (left) talks with Credit Lyonnais Amman

Representative Yves Guillaume (far right). Mr. Bruno Davezac and Mr. Bernard Thiolon look on.

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At the cocktail party from left to right, Miss Adele Habash, Dr. Bassam Al

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## Mubarak calls for full economic review to map up future plans

CAIRO, Dec. 20 (R) — President Hosni Mubarak has called for a thorough reassessment of the Egyptian economy before mapping out the country's future economic

He told reporters that a big con-ference of economists, businessmen and representatives from political parties would be held in January to discuss Egypt's economic performance.

The review is likely to precede a major re-evaluation of the country's economic policy by Mr. Mubarak, financial sources said

The president was quoted in the Egyptian press today as saying Egyptian economic experts were now conducting a study on all our economic problems so that we can draw up a permanent design for

When he took office after the assination of President Anwar Sadat last October, Mr. Mubarak stressed that the "open door" policy for foreign investment, introduced by Sadat after the 1973 Middle East war, would continue.

But the policy has been criticised because it has not brought as much investment as originally hoped for, and financial sources believe there are likely to be changes to counter charges that it is only benefiting rich businessmen and middlemen.

Abdul Razzak Abdul Majeed, deputy prime minister in charge of economy and finance, has also come in for criticism in business circles for what they regard as a failure to follow a clear policy.

Egypt showed a deficit of \$600 million on its balance of payments current account in 1980.

Dr. Abdul Majeed announced in the summer he hoped to pro-duce a balanced budget this year. but the glut on the oil market and a fall in tourism receipts after the killing of President Sadat are likely to undermine any chance of this, Western economic and diplomatic experts believe.

In a speech in November President Mubarak said the economic review should include ideas to rationalise consumption, help reduce the housing shortage, ensure that subsidies reach those in need, eradicate public and private extravagance, strengthen the public sector and reduce the present shoReported drop in Kuwait's interbank interest rates

KUWAIT, Dec. 20 (A.P.) - The Commercial Bank of Kuwait reported today a "sharp drop" iocal interbank short-term interest rates as a result of flush in funds in the market, mainly by the government and oil companies.

As a result, the bank said in a weekly report, interest rates on day-to-day and week funds dropped to one per cent and 4.5 per

cent, respectively.

The tone of the market during the week was "generally com-fortable" with lenders for short term funds.

However, rates for longer periods did not ease. These maintained their high levels as the participants seemed more reluctant to lend over the year, said the report.

The bank expected the longterm interest rates will continue to remain firm until the end of this

## China's investment chief warns against buck-passing, calls for more efficiency

PEKING, Dec. 20 (R) — The we don't change it then how can head of an influential investment corporation, echoing a recent call by Premier Zhao Ziyang to trim China's notorious bureaucracy, has warned the government that the economy will not revive unless the country becomes more eff-

The People's Daily today quoted Rong Yiren, a former mill owner, as saying at a national advisory conference: "In our work yesterday, buck-passing is rampant. This kind of work-style... is like the feudal mandarin system. If

we get the economy moving?

Mr. Rong is president of the China International Trust and Investment Corporation which was set up two years ago to attract. foreign investment.

The paper also reported that several delegates at a recent session of the Chinese people's consultative conference had denounced red tape and stressed the need to streamline the government.

"There are too many people in the boat and not enough rowing,"

already raised around \$1.7 billion

this year in financial and com-

mercial credits. This virtually cov-

ers the expected 1981 balance of

payments deficit of \$1.8 billion.

Financial credits already lined-up

amount to around \$1.7 billion of

the \$2 billion borrowing target for

this year.

one was quoted as saying.

Another delegate at the con-

sultative conference said there were almost 1,000 ministers and vice-ministers in the Chinese State Council (cabinet) and in organs under its jurisdiction, and 5,000 senior heads of department.

Some ministries had more than 20 vice-ministers, he added. This meant matters were passed from one vice-minister to another and no one knew who was responsible.

'Now there are so many mothers-in-law and minor buddhas you have to spend all your

time bowing to them to get any-thing done." he was quoted as say-

Another delegate was quoted as saying that the communists had not yet established a proper system of selection, training, appointment and compulsory retirement for officials which meant that old cadres did not give way to younger men.

Two academic delegates were quoted as saying Chinese uni-versities and colleges were overstaffed and got involved in too many unnecessary activities.

## Yugoslavia faces up to economic reality

By Anthony Robinson

Yugoslavia's foreign borrowing plans have not been helped in recent months by the fact that many of the western bankers dealing with Yugoslavia also have responsibility for lending to the Comecon countries. Deeply involved with the complexities of Polish debt re-scheduling and the growing difficulties of Romania, they have been casting increasingly worried glances at the economic and financial situation of all East European borrowers.

Thus, when the former President of the Yugoslav League of Communists, Mr. Lazar Moisou. warned Yugoslavs in November that the country was facing an economic abyss if they did not make efforts to take "economic stabilisation" more seriously, bankers at least heeded the warn-

ng.
The practical consequences became apparent last month when a Yugoslav negotiating team led by Mr. Ksente Bogoev, the out-going governor of the National Bank of Yugoslavia, went to London for preliminary talks on a proposed \$400 million eurocurrency loan to complete this year's borrowing programme.

The Yugoslav side made clear that they were hoping to raise the money on terms similar to that achieved on a similar syndicated loan arranged through a con-sortium led by Lloyds Bank International last year, that is to say a final maturity of seven years at a rate of 11/4 per cent over London Interbank offered rate, or 11/2 per cent over the U.S. prime, at the option of the lenders.

Having won these terms last year Mr. Bogoev is seen by some western bankers as having wanted to end his term of office with a repeat performance. The acceptance of less favourable terms will now fall to his successor, Mr. Radovan Makic.

Nearly half the banks invited to meet the Yugoslav team did not even turn up for the London meeting, and those which did made clear that Yugoslavia would have to lower its sights and be satisfied with a significantly lower amount at higher rates. This message has been taken on board.

According to Mr. Ilija Marjanovic, Deputy Governor of the bank, "we shall be meeting again with the banks shortly to sit down and examine what it is realistic to achieve. We recognise that this will be less than last year's borrowing." Manufacturers Hanover is expected to lead the consortium. The main aim of the borrowing is to boost reserves and so reduce

vulnerability to the kind of squeeze on short term debt which has affected Romania and other Comecon borrowers recently. Reserves currently stand at around \$2.9 billion, Mr.

portfolio will require considerable persuasion on the part of the Yugoslav authorities that they have the economy under control

But, while recognising the probtargets can be adhered to.

progress in reducing inflation, still hovering at around 38-39 per cent annually, the rise in the net foreign debt to \$16.3 billion or close to \$19 billion when short term debt is included, riots and repression in Kosovo, the shift in trade towards Comecon and evidence of declining competitivity on western markets all raise legitimate questions about the economic and political management .

They are after all the main concerns of the Yugoslav authorities themseives. The fact that the cost But raising the remainder from of servicing the Yugoslav debt has commercial banks which already risen from \$700 million over the

in most cases have substantial first nine months of 1980 to \$1.2 Yugoslav debt in their loan billion over the same period this year is itself a powerful argument

and that balance of payments lems, the Yugoslav authorities also point to their track record The Yugoslav authorities them- over the last three years. These lives recognise that the lack of have seen a reduction in the payments deficit from \$3.7 billion in 1979 to \$2.3 billion last year. The authorities insist that this year's deficit will still be below the \$1.8 billion target, despite a disappointing first half. Future targets of a \$500 million deficit in 1982 and parity by 1983 will be

strictly adhered to, they say. Scepticism about the ability to reach this year's target has been fuelled by the first half trade returns which showed a deficit of \$3.55 billion, which, if unchecked. would have given an annual trade deficit of over \$7 billion compared

- Financial Times news feature

# Free-wheeling feeling selbst ist der Mann" 1. Solar-Fahrraci der Welt

COLOGNE, (INP) — In the light of the critical oil olar energy has a bright future. In Cologne, West Germany, a team of amateur engineers came up with the idea of constructing a solar-powered cycle, the first of its kind, the team said.

However, enjoying the privilege of being able to tap a free source of energy for transport purposes is still not a cheap proposition. The special tra-nsmission required for the "solarcycle" meant a considerable investment in addition to the purchase price of the cycle itself. But money was no obstacle to our team of inventors. They were interested in finding new ways of saving on energy costs. They feel that by developing their idea further, they will be able to lower the production

How does the solarcycle work? A 120 x 120 centimetre surroof is mounted on a shopping tri-cycle with an extended rear axle. Four modules, each equipped with 36 solar cells, connected in series, are mounted on a sheet-aluminium carrier and screwed together. A three-step system of switching makes the use of three gears possible, the first (just like in cars) to get started, the second for slight uphill gradients, and a third speed gear in which all four modules are switched in series. In optimum sunlight the direct current motor has a power output of 132 watts.

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ATLANTIC CITY, Dec. 20 (R) -Dwight Braxton not only upset pre-fight predictions but shattered plans for a four-million-dollar light-heavyweight showdown when he beat Matthew Saad Muhammad here last night.

Braxton's 10th-round victory, bringing him the World Boxing Council (WBC) title, spelled disaster for a proposed bout next May between Muhammad and World Boxing Association (WBA) champion Michael Spinks.

Promoter Butch Lewis disclosed after the fight that he and fellow-promoter Don King had reached tentative agreement on a

and vicious right uppercuts of underdog Braxton, also of the United States, which reduced Muhammad to a dazed and battered heap during yesterday's "Braxton's got a killer instinct

match that would have netted the

But the promoters' plans had

taken no account of the short lefts

two Americans \$2m apiece.

that is unreal. But hey, I feel as beaten as Saad," said a dejected Spinks as he watched referee Arthur Mercante signal a halt to the scheduled 15-round bout after two minutes 54 seconds of the 10th.

The 28-year-old Braxton, who resumed his career five years ago after serving a sentence for armed robbery in a New Jersey prison, came into the bout as the WBC's fifth-ranked contender.

Fighting from his usual crouching position, he made up for a 31/2-inch reach disadvantage with a barrage of stinging left jabs and right crosses that sent Muhammad backwards for most of the bout.

Muhammad, 27, fell behind on points and increasingly his only hope of success was a late-round victory in the manner of his previous eight title defences since he won the crown in April 1979 from Marvin Johnson.

But the end came after Braxton sent Muhammad down for a count of four. Muhammad got up unsteadily, arms dangling at this side, and as Braxton leaped forward to unload more punches the fight was

### W. Indies cruise to 8 wicket victory against Australia

unbeaten innings of 72 tHat occupied 107 minutes and came from PERTH, Dec. 20 (A.P.) — West Indian master batsmen Clive Lloyd and Viv Richards reduced only 62 balls. Lloyd, the hulking left-hander, the Australian attack to mediocrity in a spectacular display of powerhouse hitting in the Benson

Wilkison wins his 2nd

NSW tennis Open title

SYDNEY, Dec. 20 (R) - American Tim Wilkison won his second

New South Wales (NSW) Open tennis title today, and said he would

The 22-year-old left-hander from North Carolina collected

"This means a little more to me compared to last time. Then I was

"When I won that tournament I thought I could do it every week

and it didn't mean as much to me-but now in two years of losing a lot

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just a little kid coming up and it was the first time I had done

not make the same mistakes he did after his 1978 success.

I know how hard you have to play to win a tournament."

Lewis 6-4, 7-6, 6-3 in just under two hours.

anything," said Wilkison.

and just to keep on working."

terms with his swinging serve.

ether with the side in a slightly

shaky position at two for 37 and

proceeded to pulverise the bow-

153 in only 92 minutes.

certainly didn't take a back seat to his vice-captain. He flayed the bowling and scored an unbeaten and Hedges Cup match at the 80, including 11 boundaries, off Western Australia Cricket Association (WACA) ground today. 82 deliveries. The 37-year-old West Indies'

The hapless Australians were captain won the man of the match completely outplayed and the West Indies critised to an eight award, the man widely acknowledged as the world's finest wicket victory with 20 overs to Richards and Lloyd came tog-

The runaway victory, after yesterday's easy triumph over Pakistan, took the West Indies into equal top place in the cup standings.

ling in an unbroken partnership of The West Indies have three Richards hammered three sixes wins from five matches and share and eight fours in his dazzling the lead with Pakistan (three wins

from six matches), with Australia in last place with two wins from five games.

It was a demoralising and humiliating defeat for Australia only six days before the first test against the West Indies starts at the Melboure Cricket Ground next Sat-

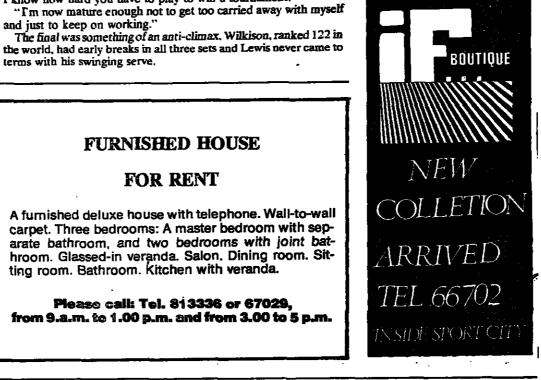
However, the match provided a great spectacle for a record crowd estimated at more than 26,000.

The ground reached its capacity early in the day and the gates were locked 70 minutes after the start of play.

Huge crowds were still queuing outside the ground, and it is estimated that between 5000 and 10,000 people had to be turned

However, the decision to shut the gates -- made in the interests of public safety - did not come until Channel Nine had agreed with an Australian Cricket Board request to telecast the entire day's play in Western Australia, instead of just the first two hours.

There were chaotic scenes and massive traffic jams before the match started at 10.30 a.m., and further confusion reined when thousands of disappointed fans had to drive away from the ground after the gates had been locked.



### GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES H. GOREN © 1981 by Chicago Tribuna

.Q.—My partner and I have recently become very in-volved with suit preference signals – we wonder how we were ever able to play without them. But a question did arise in a game the other night. I led the nine of diamonds against an opposing heart game. Partner won and shifted to a spade, with disastrous conseque claimed my lead of a high diamond was a suit preference

for spades. Is this so?— J. Watson, Alexandria, Va. (This question has been awarded the weekly prize.) A .- This is one of the problems with becoming overinvolved with suit preference signals—you tend to forget all about the fundamentals of bridge and look at everything through suit-pref-

erence colored glasses. By and large, when you are defending, there are many things you want to tell partner about a hand that are more important than suit preference. This is true whether you are making the opening lead or playing to it. As third hand, it is vital that partner know your attitude about the suit led; i.e., do you want him to continue or to shift? In some circumstances. it may be necessary to give him the count of your length in the suit.

As opening leader, your goal is to try to describe your holding in the suit you have chosen to lead. Is it top-ofnothing or are you likely to be leading from an honor? If partner wins the trick, do you want him to continue the suit or would you like him in shift?.

Almost everyone plays that your choice of opening lead has little or nothing to do with suit preference, it is far more important to show your length and strength in the suit led. Thus, a high card simply means that you have nothing in the suit led, while a low card suggests that you

have length and an honor. If you lead a high card in a suit on opening lead, you are telling partner that there is no reason for him to continue the suit if he has something better to do. However, you are not telling him which suit he should shift to. He should be able to work that out from the auction, his hand and

dummy. That does not mean that I cannot think of circumstances where the opening lead might be lead-directing. For instance, suppose that your partner opened the bid. ding with three hearts and that the opponents then reach four spades. Your partner, on opening lead, attacks with the two of hearts, Obviously, that cannot be his fourth best heart, so he is making an unusual lead. The most probable reason is that he wants you shift to the lower ranking side suit, in this case clubs, when you gain the lead.

Only in clear-cut circumstances should any eard be treated as a suit preference. If there is any doubt in your mind, accept it as its natural meaning.

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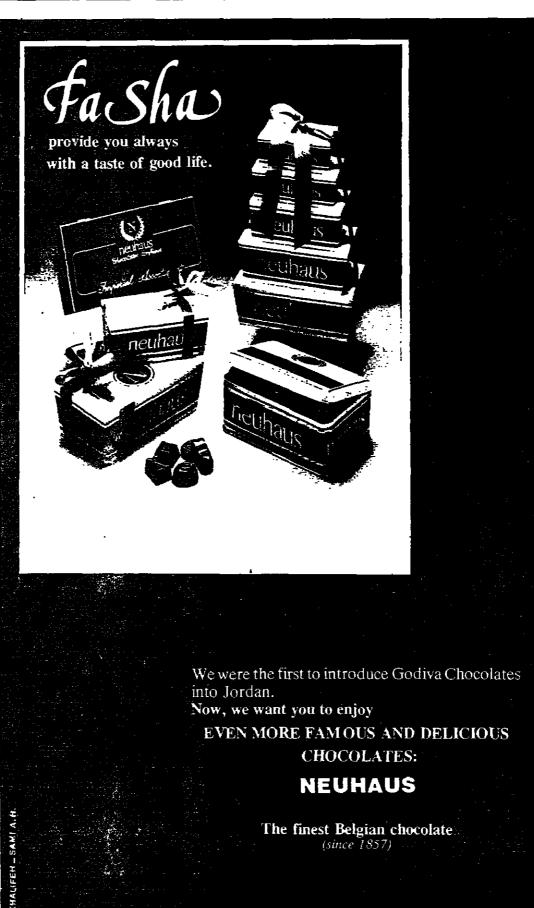
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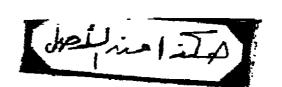
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# EATURES

## ow do Americans see themselves?

was already a wealthy country.

rican per capita GNP clearly sur-

continued to expand at a faster

rate. In the century and a quarter

after 1840, personal income in the

United States grew at an average

up by this amount, doubling every

43 years. Despite some recent

remains an exceptionally for-

An important symbiotic rel-

ationship involving personal sta-

nding and sense of nation has thus

been produced. Economic success

has contributed to an elevated

personal satisfaction, which in

turn has buttressed pride in nat-

ion. At the same time, so strong a

national pride and belief in the

fundamental legitimacy of the pol-

itical system have contributed

importantly to personal sat-

isfaction. Believing that their cou-

ntry is the best place in the world

to live, that its economic order is

sound, that its constituent ideas

and values are appropriate, that its

political institutions deserve res-

pect in their fundamental design.

Americans are more inclined to

view their personal positions with

satisfaction. The society in which

one lives is, after all, an important

part of one's personal env-

ironment and situation. For all

their individualism. Americans

All of this has meant that in the

United States attachment to

"country" is not abstracted from

ideology and regime. On the con-

trary, "the country" is the ide-

ology (classical liberalism cum

Americanism) and the regime (the

constitution, inter alia). The doc-

trine of American exceptionalism

has meant the exceptional merit of

the idea and its institutions. New

understand that.

Note: This is the second part of yesterday's article, which ended with concerning the Americans' view of their nation, its institutions and its in the world.

t available poll data have evident that Americans h sharply among these er the past 15 years they rised soundly immediate erformance and the leaonsible for it. But they ated general satisfaction r personal and familial and they have not witsupport for "Ameor altered their basic nt to the nation and its

nportant to understand listinct character and the the interrelationship of ee elements. Several Daniel Yankelovich ughtfully on one part of age, discussing why

-style politics of resinvolving feelings of uppressed animus towrity, had not developed ited States. Some of the ts seemed to be there. elovich. "yet when peoisked about their private nal lives, the same ove-§ 90 per cent majority t everything was going indeed... that they were about their futures... on the whole, they were ith their lot .... In 1975, of 10 American families that they were doing d personally.... In the worst economic setthe 1930s, a majority of expressed keen satvith such crucial aspects

rivate lives as their con-

handling personal pro-

blems, the pleasures and cohesiveness of family life, the enjoyment they get out of life, their ability to derive from life what they feel they are entitled to, and their progress in getting ahead and achieving success...." So long as the citizenry manifests this level of personal satisfaction and optimism, Yankelovich concluded, political stability will be sustained and ressentiment will be kept at bay."

What Yankelovich did not discuss was the independent impact of American self-esteem on both bow people view their personal status and what conclusions they draw from current "system" performance. To make this point I need to back up a bit and specify the unusual properties of American nationalism

Writing in 1935, the insightful socialist thinker Leon Samson made the point that America is a nation built on an ideology. When we examine the meaning of Americanism," wrote Samson, "we discover that Americanism is Frenchman or England to an Englishman, but a doctrine, what socialism is to a socialist."

Samson was right, and herein is foundation of American nationalism. The United States was established around a pervasive, almost monolithic commitment to "habitual legitimacy," one bred of classical liberal ideas, involving experience or habit. Efforts at individualism, freedom, equality and democracy, ideas which continue to be seen as progressive and universalistic.

singular public disfavour.

The central political institutions cess. But the success came, and of the country, reflecting these nowhere more notably than in the economic sphere. At the end of persisting ideological comthe 18th century the United States mitments, have shown an extraordinary staying power. In rer-Early in the 19th century. Ameeading The Federalist, that set of 85 papers written largely by James Madison and Alexander Hamilton passed that of Great Britain and for publication during the debate in New York in 1787 and 1788

over the ratification of the U.S.

constitution, one is struck by the

fact that one is not simply reading of about 1.6 per cent per year in important historical documents, real terms -- which means, of cou-Hamilton and Madison are des- rse, that holding prices constant, cribing the political institutions by per capita personal income went which the United States is governed today. To be sure, various changes and enlargements in constitutional meanings have been made since 1789—by formal amendment, court interpretations generally through practice and precedent. But the striking thing is that the constitution survives today in its original meaning. There are the president and the congress, paired in that unique political dance as separate institutions, performing shared functions, each possessed of an arsenal of checks on the other. Underlying the entire constitutional arrangement, then and now, is the to the American not a tradition or classical liberal distrust of power a territory, not what France is to a and the liberal answer to the problem of power: disperse it and limit it.

> When institutions last as long as those of the United States have, they acquire an additional element of legitimacy simply by dint of their duration. I like to call this changing them, as a very popular Franklin Roosevelt found in 1937 when he sponsored a plan to end a perceived obstructionism of the supreme court by expanding the number of judges, have met with

No matter how strong and unified the ideological tradition on which the American nation was built, the persistence of the ideology and its institutions would not have been possible without a subsequent record of national sucsurvey findings suggest that the doctrine of American exceptionalism still flourishes.

The particular character of American nationalism extracts its pride, of course. If "the country" and "the regime" are almost one. failures involving the latter are especially painful. For most Americans. Watergate was not so much a partisan as national calamity. And yet the very fact of engagement that causes the pain serves to limit the damage. One can easily condemn a regime abstracted from the nation, but that is not possible in the American fusion of the two. The American "sense of nation" thus derived is remarkably hardy; and in a very basic sense it is conservative.

When things go wrong, Americans ultimately blame the actors not the ideology and the institutions. The presidency is sound, if only individual presidents would do better. The private business system is estimable, if only business leaders would guide it more effectively. And so on.

immediate national performance over the past 15 or so years has hardly been casual, but it has been strikingly limited. The self-same sense of nation that has driven and augmented it has kept it in precise bounds. How is it that people who derive a fundamental satisfaction from their personal conditions and who so positively endorse their national experience have so strongly criticised the performance evidenced in Vietnam and Watergate and double-digit inflation? Isn't there a contradiction or a tension? No, the proper question is: how could it have been otherwise? In the theoretical context discussed here, it seems evident that we can reject with some confidence the view that the frustrations of the past 15 or 20 years have altered -- indeed, could have altered - the character of Ame-

-- Public Opinion

### Hamburg's little Czech piece

By Charles Dick

HAMBURG - In Hamburg's bustling harbour there is a little piece of Czechoslovakia. It is a historical oddity which highlights the city's status as one of Eastern Europe's most important ports in the West.

The small patch of territory, unfenced and without frontier guards, went to Czechoslovakia by treaty after World War I under a 99-vear lease.

The enclave is used as a dock, called the Saalehafen, and is run by the Czechoslovak Elbe-Oder Shipping Company.

Its existence underlines the importance of Hamburg for landlocked Czechoslovakia, as goods can be transported cheaply by barge from the port southward up the Elbe and Ultava Rivers to

East European members of the Communist economic grouping Comecon made greater use of Hamburg as a transit port last year than ever before, with Cze-East Germany came first with 5.6 million tonnes of goods -- considerably more than Czechoslovakia.

rican national regard.

Port Authorities and East European shippers say the trend is continuing, helped by Hamburg's position as the furthest east of the main north sea trading ports and the European Continent's biggest

Of the nearly 17 million tonnes of transit goods handled by Hamburg last year, East Germany had the lion's share.

Czechoslovakia was Hamburg's second largest transit customer last year with 3.1 million tonnes. Austria is the biggest Western foreign user of the port with 2.3 million tonnes.

Czechoslovakia sends exports such as machine tools and tractors through Hamburg, importing mostly grain and cattle feed. The cheapest form of transport is by river to Prague, although some goods are sent by road and rail. During the U.S. grain embargo

against Moscow following the Soviet military intervention in Afghanistan, which President Reagan lifted last April, the sensitive East-West trading weathervane of Hamburg swung abruptly.

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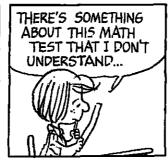


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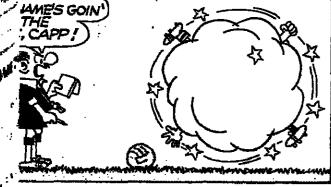








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TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Make those changes at home that are necessary for greater comfort. Discuss future plans with congenials. GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Put new ideas to work that

will help you become more productive in your line of endeavor. Give the right gifts. MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) You can now for-

mulate a plan that will improve your financial status. Take no chances with a trickster. LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) You have to be more objective in your thinking to gain your aims. Make plans to have more

security and prosperity in the new year ahead. VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Don't try to limit yourself where your activities are concerned or you could lose out

where it counts the most. LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Discuss new ideas with good friends and gain their cooperation. Forget past mistakes, but

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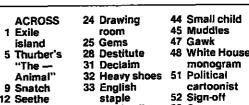
new activity and get the results you want. Make long-range plans for the new year. PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) You have to use modern

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musical talent in this chart. "The Stars impel, they do not compel." What you make of your life is largely up to you!

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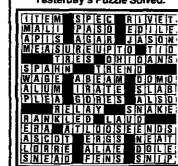
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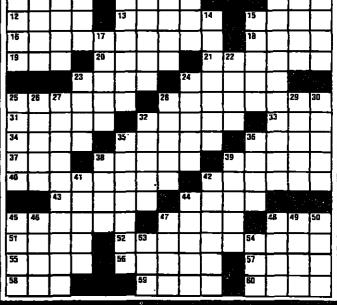
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## WORLD

## Polish industrial vein reported to be hit as Warsaw insists situation under control

VIENNA, Dec. 20 (R) — Poland's shipvard, mining and aircraft industries were reported hit by resistance to martial law today although authorities said the country was so calm that the curfew has been shortened.

The Soviet news agency TASS said Solidarity union militants had sabotaged the Ziemovit mine, in the southern province of Katowice, and taken 1,300 miners hostage.

But a traveller arriving in Vienna from Warsaw said the pit had been strike-bound since martial law was declared a week ago and that the miners had barricaded themselves in.

The man, an Italian who has worked in Poland for 30 years. said a neighbouring mine had also been occupied by workers opposed to the military takeover.

TASS reported that Solidarity extremists had sabotaged the mine and "as a result ... 1,300 miners are being held underground."

Militants had blown up one entrance to the pit and threatened to destroy the other if authorities moved in police or troops, it added.

### Shipyards shut down

Warsaw Radio reported that production at the strike-hit Baltic shipyards at Gdansk and Gydnia, both Solidarity strongholds, had been suspended until after Christmas.

The reports of continuing strikes followed a call by Solidarity leader Lech Walesa for mass strikes and a campaign of passive resistance against martial law which is intended to snuff out the union's challenge to Communist rule.

Although the authorities acknowledge some disruption was going on, they said 95 per cent of industry was now working nor-

The official news agency PAP said that because of the improvement of the situation, the martial law curfew had been relaxed in some parts of the country.

### 200 reportedly killed so far

Swedish Radio today quoted travellers from Poland as saying that 200 people had been killed in clashes throughout Poland since the imposition of martial law a week ago.

The radio quoted Western sources who were not identified, as saying that more than 100 people had been killed in the mining area around Katowice, where. according to official Polish reports. only seven had been killed in clashes last Wednesday.

### Rebel journalist dies in jail

In Paris, a senior French trade union official said today that a Polish journalist who edited the Solidarity free trade union newspaper, Tadeusz Mazowiecki, has died in detention in Poland.

The leader of the Socialistoriented Confederation Française Democratique du Travail, Edmond Maire, announced the death of the journalist at a huge rally here which drew an estimated 10,000 to 15,000 people expressing support for Polish workers and Solidarity.

Mr. Maire did not say how he had learned of Mr. Mazowiecki's death, but the Polish journalist, who was editor-in-chief of the union's weekly newspaper Solidarity, was among those whose arrest was announced on Wed-

nesday by Polish Television. Mr. Mazowiecki was one of the Solidarity officials who accompanied the union's leader, Lech Walesa, on a visit to Rome last January.

### Pope calls for prayers for dead

In Vatican City, Pope John Paul called for prayers for those killed. injured and arrested in Poland since martial law.

The Pope asked in a 15-minute address to pilgrims in St. Peter's

Square for prayers for his troubled homeland but refrained from addressing himself directly to Poland's military rulers.

"I continue to ask for prayers and solidarity towards that people which has the right to be able to live its own life in peace and in the respect for human rights," he said.

Western reports of the number of people arrested have gone as high as 50.000 but the Polish ambassador to Sweden said in a British television interview yesterday that the number was no more than 4,000.

### Tehran blasts Western media Meanwhile, Iran's state-run

radio today accused the Western news media of exaggerating the gravity of the situation in Poland.

The radio of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini's fundamentalist regime said in its foreign news summary: "While Polish authorities announce calm prevails in Poland and economic activities have returned to normal, Western news agencies which are exaggerating the crisis in Poland, report continued strikes and clashes between the police and the people in 1Poland still continue."

### Ariane blast-off takes French hopes high up

PARIS, Dec. 20 (R) - Western Europe's Ariane rocket successfully blasted into space from the Kourou centre in French Guiana today in a final test before it is sold commercially on the lucrative telecommunications and satellite market.

"Ariane has definitely broken the U.S. and Soviet monopolies for the production and marketing of space boosters," Arianespace Chairman Frederic d'Allest said. "We are now in... big business-more than \$200 million a year."

On its fourth and last test flight, Ariane successfully put two maritime European communication satellites (Marecs-A) into orbit as well as a technological capsule designed to provide information on the performance of the launcher, French space officials said. The 46-metre high, white-and-brown rocket shot into the sky from

the sprawling space centre at Kourou, facing Devil's Island, on the north-east coast of South America at 0129 GMT, they said. Ariane was first test-fired successfully in December 1979. On its second test in May last year, the booster exploded shortly after take off and plunged into the Atlantic. The third test in June this year was

successful and the rocket is now ready for commercial use. Four Arianes have already been ordered by Intelsat, the Washington-based international telecommunications network, while the Arab League's telecommunications organisation Arabsat has ordered three Arianes and telecommunication satellites worth an estimated \$350 million.

### Around-the-world-on-helium balloon awaits better winds in India

JAIPUR, Dec. 20 (A.P.) — Plans for relaunching the 20-storey tall balloon Jules Verne remained in suspense over the weekend. A fair weather front due to arrive here Monday or Tuesday represented about the only chance of resuming the long-delayed round-the-world flight until after the year-end hol-

"We're going to wait for the next system," American balloonist Don Ida said after a mid-Maxie Anderson and key members of the ground crew at which they reviewed the latest weather that option now," a dejected Ida feet of helium gas.

Ida, 48, of Boulder, Colorado, said the voluntary crew remained "enthusiastic," but others in the entourage said the pressure of wanting to get home for Christmas

was continuing to build. Some crew members already were preparing to leave Jaipur, India's "Pink City" 250 kilometres south of New Delhi, and it was widely believed the global circuit would be pushed back sevmorning huddle with co-pilot eral weeks if the Monday-Tuesday relaunch effort also was foiled.

Ida and Anderson, 47, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, postponed the liftoff of the Jules Verne Saturday morning after 10 long days of waiting for the global weather patterns to become fav-The problem was unexpected:

for the first time since their arrival in this northern Indian city. swift surface winds refused to abate at nightfall, weaving too great a danger of puncturing the "We don't even want to discuss its inflation with 220,010 cubic where the odyssey began last Feb-

### Cairo crackdown nets 2,500 since Sadat's assassination

CAIRO, Dec. 20 (R) - Egyptian Interior Minister Mohammad Nabawi Ismail said today that 2,500 people had been detained in a government crackdown on extremists following the assassination of President Anwar Sadat in October.

He told the People's Assembly (parliament) that the 2,500 were in addition to more than 1,600 opposition politicians, religious extremists and alleged common criminals rounded up by the slain president in the month before he was shot dead at a Cairo military parade.

Asked why so many people were still being held, the interior minister said those who were proved innocent would be released as soon as possible.

But he said the number of detentions was not large "compared to the plan they had in mind. which aimed at turning Egypt into another Lebanon or Iran." The government has alleged

that President Sadat was gunned down by extremists linked to fanatic Islamic organisations which had planned to eliminate

the present Egyptian leadership to prepare the way for a Muslim

Over the past few weeks, the government has released several dozen people, most of them law-yers, journalists and politicians, detained by the late president in September.

President Hosni Mubarak who took over from Mr. Sadat in October, has pledged to free all detainees found innocent of criminal offences.

Earlier this month Egypt's prosecutor general dropped charges for lack of evidence against former deputy premier Abdul Salam Zayyat and 16 others accused of involvement in an antigovernment plot said to have been inspired by Moscow.

The Egyptian weekly mag-azine Al Mussawar said that more political and religious figures were expected to be released shortly.

They would probably include leaders of the outlawed Muslim Brotherhood organisation and several leading Christian Coptic bishops and clergymen.

### Soviets reported to build S. Yemeni missile bases

BAHRAIN, Dec. 20 (R) — The Soviet Union is building a new military command centre and missile bases in South Yemen, according to an Omani weekly received here

The centre at Jebel Hal, overlooking the South Yemen capital Aden, would replace the existing Soviet joint headquarters at Kho-

Anderson waited uniti about 2 a.m. Saturday before abandoning the night's operation.

"I hate to give up but I think we are just wasting our time," he told the weary crew.

If the upcoming launch is successful, Anderson and Ida plan to float eastward across India. Burma, Southern China, Japan, the Pacific Ocean, the United States, Europe, landing, hopefully, paper-thin plastic balloon during after about seven days in Egypt

rmaksar civil and military airport in Aden, the Times of Oman said.

Besides increasing its air and naval facilities, the Soviet Union is installing missile bases in the Aden suburbs of Al Mansoura, Bir Fadhl and Dar Saad and at Sagiya on the North Yemen border, the weekly said, quoting what it called diplomatic sources in

The 12th Soviet Air Squadron, which includes fighter, reconnaissance and troop-carrying aircraft, is based at an airfield at Bir Fadhl, east of Aden, the Times of Oman said.

A new military area is being established on the Aden coast and the Soviet base on Perim Island, at the mouth of the Red Sea, is to be expanded, it added. Oman, which has no diplomatic

relations with South Yemen, waged a war until five years ago against Aden-backed leftist guerrillas in the southern Dhofar province. South Yemen has a friendship

treaty with the Soviet Union.

### **WORLD NEWS BRIEFS**

Goukouni insists OAU force fight rebels

ABIDJAN, Dec. 20 (R) — Chad President Goukouni Oueddel has again demanded that the pan-African peacekeeping fonce assembling in his country fight alongside his troops against tebel forces or pull out, the Zairean news agency Azap reported in dispatch from Libreville, monitored here, Azap quoted him as saying be would ask the Organisation of African Unity (OAU) force to withdraw if it did not change its position. The OAU has consistently said the troops, from Nigeria, Zaire and Senegal, with contingents due from Benin and Guinea, will not take sides and will only react if fired upon. The OAU wants to assign these troops the role of a buffer force... we do not agree with this and we can in this case demand that these troops return to their own countries." President Goukouni said in Libreville, where he is attending a meeting.

### Alexeyeva leaves Paris for U.S.

PARIS, Dec. 20 (R) — Liza Alexeyeva, the Soviet dissident given an exit visa by Kremlin authorities following a hunger strike by Andrei Sakharov and his wife, left for Boston today after app. ealing last night for worldwide support for the physicist in internal exile. Miss Alexeyeva arrived from the Soviet Union last night after receiving her exit visa. Dr. Sakharov and his wife staged a 17-day hunger strike to press their demands that Miss Alexeren be given permission to leave the Soivet union. Miss Alextreva described by the Sakharovs as their daughter-in-law, will join Dr. Sakharov's stepson in the U.S. where he emigrated three years ago. He married Miss Alexeyeva by proxy last June. She said last night Dr. Sakharov, whom she saw before leaving at his place of internal exile in the city of Gorky, was in relatively good health and gaining strength.

### Armenian sentenced in Geneva

GENEVA. Dec. 20 (R) — A young man of Armenian origin who admitted shooting a Turkish consular employee in Geneva has been sentenced to 15 years imprisonment for murder. A Geneva Assize court jury also banned him from Switzerland for 15 years after the end of the sentence. The public prosecutor had asked for a maximum 20-year term for Mardiros Jamgochian, who was convicted of shooting Turkish official Mehmet Yerguz, 37, in a Geneva street last June 9. Since Jamgochian's arrest, one person has been fatally injured and more than 30 others hurt in a series of bombings said to have been aimed at freeing him. Jamgochian, a resident of Beirut, did not contest the charge but argued he was carrying out a political act as a member of the Beirut-basel Armenian Secret Army for the Liberation of Armenia (ASALA) in a protest campaign against Turkish mistreatment of Am-

### Amnesty for 10,000 Italians

ROME, Dec. 20 (R) - About 10,000 prisoners in Italian jails will be freed under an amnesty pardoning minor crimes which has come into force. Parliament has approved the pardon and President Sandro Pertini signed it into law, government officials said. Justice Minister Clelio Darida said in a magazine interview that out of a jail population of about 36,000, two thirds were awaiting trial because of the slowness of Italy's penal procedure. "The situation is also dramatic because of the chronic madequacy of the prisons which should really only house about 22,000 prisoners," he said. The Amnesty pardons crimes punishable with less than three years committed before Aug. 31 this year, except for those held or convicted on charges connected with the Mafia criminal organisation, guerrilla violence or financial offences.

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7:40	Morning Show
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11:00	Sign off
12:00	News Headlines
12:03	Pop Session
13:00	News Summary
	Pop Session
	News Bulletin
	Instrumentals
	30 minute Theatre
	Concert Hour
	News Summary
	Instrumentals
	Old Favourites
	French way of Life
	Pop Session
	News Summary
18:03	Sports Round-up

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### **BBC WORLD SERVICE** 639, 720, 1413 KHz

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### **SERVICE CLUBS**

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### MUSEUMS

Military Museum: Collection of military memorabilia dating from the Arab Revolt of 1916. Sports City, Amman. Opening hours 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday to Friday. Closed on Saturdays. Tel. 64240.

### tumes over 100 years old. Also mosaics from Madaba and Jerash (4th to 18th centuries). The Roman Theatre, Amman, Opening hours: 9.00 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Year-round. Tel. 51760 Popular Life of Jordan Museum: 100 to 150 year old items such as costumes, weapons, musical instruments, etc. Opening hours: 9.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. closed Tuesdays. Tel. 37169

Jordan Archaeologicai Museum Has an excellent collection of the antiquities of Jordan. Jabai Al Qal'a (Citadel Hill). Opening hours: 9.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. (Fridays and official holidays 10.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m.). Closed on Tue-

Jordan National Gallery: Contains a collection of paintings, ceramics, and sculpture by contemporary Islamic artists from most of the Muslim countries and a collection of paintings by 19th Century orientalist artists. Muntazah, Jabal Luweibdeh. Opening hours: 10.00 a.m. - 1.30 p.m. and 3.30 p.m. -6.00 p.m. Closed on Tuesdays. Tel.

### **PRAYER TIMES**

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**RATES** 

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